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# About This Guide

This document describes the concepts of the Domain Naming System (DNS) and the Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP), the setup and configuration of these functions, and how to use Novell® DNS/DHCP Services in NetWare® 6.5.

This guide is divided into the following sections:

- ♦ Chapter 1, “Understanding DNS/DHCP Services,” on page 11
- ♦ Chapter 2, “Planning Your DNS/DHCP Implementation,” on page 55
- ♦ Chapter 3, “Installing DNS/DHCP Services,” on page 65
- ♦ Chapter 4, “Configuring DNS,” on page 73
- ♦ Chapter 5, “Configuring DHCP,” on page 115
- ♦ Chapter 7, “DNS/DHCP Advanced Features,” on page 169
- ♦ Chapter 6, “Troubleshooting,” on page 147
- ♦ Appendix A, “Appendix,” on page 185
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## Additional Documentation

For information about Novell iManager, see the iManager 2.7.3 Administration Guide.

## Documentation Conventions

In this document, the term *iManager utility* is used to refer to the DNS/DHCP iManager Utility, and the term *Management Console* is used to refer to the DNS/DHCP Java-Based Management Console.

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# Understanding DNS/DHCP Services

# 1

This section describes the Domain Name System (DNS), the Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP), and the Novell® eDirectory™ 8.7.3 schema extension; it also explains their eDirectory functions. This section also provides information about the zone handler, the iManager utility and the Management Console.

Novell DNS/DHCP Services in NetWare® integrates the Domain Name System (DNS) and Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP) services into the eDirectory database. Integrating these services into eDirectory provides centralized administration and enterprise-wide management of network (IP) addresses, configuration, and hostnames.

The iManager utility provides a Web interface to manage the objects created to support DNS and DHCP and runs in a browser window. It does not require a Novell Client™ or any installed component as a prerequisite. It shares a common interface with other utilities that are based on the iManager framework, and is thus tightly integrated with NetWare.

The Management Console is a Java\* application that provides a graphical user interface to manage the objects created to support DNS and DHCP. The Management Console can function as a standalone utility, or it can be accessed from the *Tools* menu of the NetWare Administrator utility.

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**NOTE:** In this document, the term *host* refers to a network device that requires an IP address and might have a hostname.

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For more detailed overview information, see the following:

- ♦ [Section 1.1, “What’s New,” on page 11](#)
- ♦ [Section 1.2, “DNS,” on page 11](#)
- ♦ [Section 1.3, “Novell DNS Services,” on page 23](#)
- ♦ [Section 1.4, “DHCP,” on page 36](#)
- ♦ [Section 1.5, “DNS/DHCP Management Utility and Management Console,” on page 46](#)

## 1.1 What’s New

The following feature is included in NetWare 6.5 Support Pack 6 release:

- ♦ Forward Zone Support: Forwarding can now be configured at the zone level.

## 1.2 DNS

DNS is a distributed database system that provides hostname-to-IP resource mapping (usually the IP address) and other information for computers on a network. Any computer on the Internet can use a DNS server to locate any other computer on the Internet.

DNS is made up of two distinct components: the hierarchy and the name service. The DNS hierarchy specifies the structure, naming conventions, and delegation of authority in the DNS service. The DNS name service provides the actual name-to-address mapping mechanism.

For more information, see:

- ♦ “DNS Hierarchy” on page 12
- ♦ “DNS Name Service” on page 15
- ♦ “DNS Resolver” on page 17
- ♦ “Resource Records” on page 18
- ♦ “DNS Structure” on page 20

DNS/DHCP supports the standards of the Internet Request For Comments (RFCs). For more information, see [Appendix A, “Appendix,” on page 185](#).

## 1.2.1 DNS Hierarchy

DNS uses a hierarchy to manage its distributed database system. The DNS hierarchy, also called the domain namespace, is an inverted tree structure, much like eDirectory. Each node in the tree has a text label, which is zero to 63 characters long. The label (zero length) is reserved and is used for the root.

The DNS tree has a single domain at the top of the structure called the root domain. A period or dot (.) is the designation for the root domain. Below the root domain are the top-level domains that divide the DNS hierarchy into segments. Below the top-level domains, the domain namespace is further divided into subdomains representing individual organizations.

- ♦ “Generic Top-Level Domain” on page 12
- ♦ “Country Code Top-Level Domain” on page 13
- ♦ “Infrastructure Top-Level Domain” on page 13
- ♦ “Domains and Subdomains” on page 13
- ♦ “Domain Names” on page 14
- ♦ “in-addr.arpa Domain” on page 15
- ♦ “Domain Delegation” on page 15

A list of top-level domains is available at the [Internet Assigned Numbers Authority Web site \(http://www.iana.org\)](http://www.iana.org).

### Generic Top-Level Domain

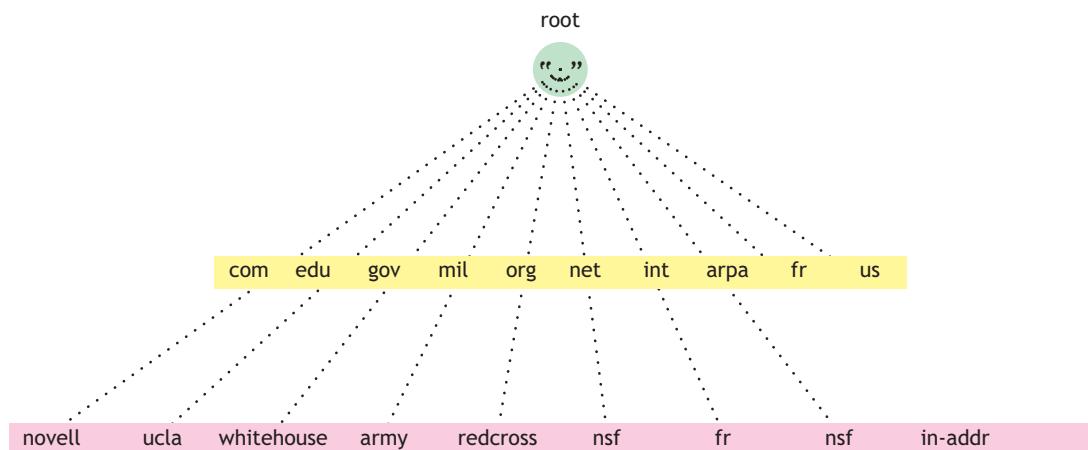
The following table shows the top-level DNS domains and the organization types that use them:

Domain	Used by
.com	Commercial organizations, such as novell.com
.edu	Educational organizations, such as ucla.edu
.gov	Governmental agencies, such as whitehouse.gov
.mil	Military organizations, such as army.mil

Domain	Used by
.org	Nonprofit organizations, such as redcross.org
.net	Networking entities, such as nsf.net
.int	International organizations, such as nato.int

The DNS hierarchy is shown in the illustration below.

**Figure 1-1** DNS Hierarchy



## Country Code Top-Level Domain

Top-level domains organize domain namespace geographically.

Domain	Used by
.fr	France
.in	India
.jp	Japan
.us	United States

## Infrastructure Top-Level Domain

The .arpa (Address and Routing Parameter Area) top-level domain is used extensively for Internet infrastructure. It contains subdomains such as in-addr.arpa and ntwk\_ipv6\_nw.arpa.

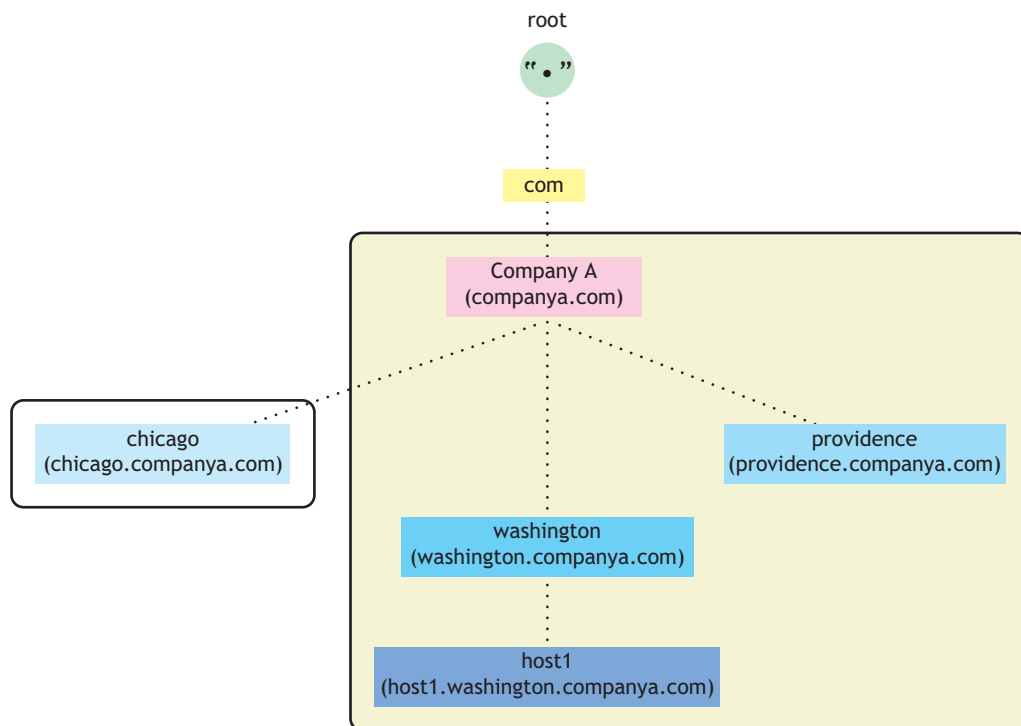
## Domains and Subdomains

A domain is a subtree of the DNS tree. Each node on the DNS tree represents a domain. Domains under the top-level domains represent individual organizations or entities. These domains can be further divided into subdomains to ease administration of an organization's host computers.

For example, Company A creates a domain called `companya.com` under the `com` top-level domain. Company A has separate LANs for its locations in Chicago, Washington, and Providence. Therefore, the network administrator for Company A decides to create a separate subdomain for each division, as shown in [Figure 1-2](#).

Any domain in a subtree is considered part of all domains above it. Therefore, `chicago.companya.com` is part of the `companya.com` domain, and both are part of the `.com` domain.

**Figure 1-2** Domains and Subdomains



## Domain Names

The domain name represents the position of an entity within the structure of the DNS hierarchy. The domain name of a node is the list of the labels on the path from the node to the root of the tree. Domain names are not case sensitive and their length is limited to 255 characters. Valid characters for the domain names are a-z, A-Z, 0-9, hyphens, and underscores. Each label in the domain name is delimited by a period. For example, the domain name for the Providence domain within Company A is `providence.companya.com`, as shown in [Figure 1-2](#).

Each computer that uses DNS is given a DNS hostname that represents the computer's position within the DNS hierarchy. Therefore, the hostname for `host1` in [Figure 1-2](#) is `host1.washington.companya.com`.

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**NOTE:** The domain names in the figure end with a period, representing the root domain. Domain names that end with a period are called fully qualified domain names (FQDNs).

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## in-addr.arpa Domain

The in-addr.arpa domain (or zone) provides the mapping of IP addresses to names within a zone, enabling a client (or resolver) to request a hostname by providing an IP address. This function, also known as reverse lookup, is used by some security-based applications.

The file that stores the in-addr.arpa data contains pointer (PTR) records and additional name server records, including the Start of Authority (SOA) records, which are similar to the other DNS zone files. Within the in-addr.arpa zone file, IP addresses are listed in reverse order, and `in-addr.arpa` is appended to the address. A query for a host with an IP address of 10.10.11.1 requires a PTR query with the target address of 1.11.10.10.in-addr.arpa.

## Domain Delegation

Domain delegation gives authority to an organization for a domain. Having authority for a domain means that the organization's network administrator is responsible for maintaining the DNS database of hostname and address information for that domain. Domain delegation helps in distributing the DNS namespace.

Cuts can be made between any two adjacent nodes in the namespace. After all cuts are made, each group of connected namespaces is considered as a separate zone. The zone is authoritative for all names in the connected region, and these cuts are managed by domain delegation. All the host information for a zone is maintained in a single authoritative database.

For example, in [Figure 1-2](#), the `companya.com.` domain is delegated to company A, creating the `companya.com.` zone. There are three subdomains within the `companya.com.` domain:

- ♦ `chicago.companya.com`
- ♦ `washington.companya.com`
- ♦ `providence.companya.com`

The company A administrator maintains all host information for the zone in a single database and also has the authority to create and delegate subdomains.

For example, if company A's Chicago location has its own network administrator, a cut could be made between the `chicago.companya.com` domain and the `companya.com` domain, then the `chicago.companya.com` zone could be delegated. `Companya.com` would have no authority over `chicago.companya.com`. Company A would have two domains:

- ♦ `companya.com` zone, which has authority over the `companya.com`, `washington.companya.com`, and `providence.companya.com` domains
- ♦ `chicago.companya.com` zone, which has authority over the `chicago.companya.com` domain

### 1.2.2 DNS Name Service

DNS uses the name service component to provide the actual name-to-IP address mapping that enables computers to locate each other on an internetwork. The name service uses a client/server mechanism in which clients query name servers for host address information.

- ♦ [“Name Servers” on page 16](#)
- ♦ [“Root Name Servers” on page 17](#)
- ♦ [“DNS Resolver” on page 17](#)

- ♦ “Name Resolution” on page 17
- ♦ “Caching” on page 18

## **Name Servers**

Name servers are information repositories that make up the domain database. The database is divided into sections called zones, which are distributed among the name servers. The name servers answer queries using data in their zones or cache. A DNS name server can be either a primary name server or a secondary name server.

In addition to local host information, name servers maintain information about how to contact other name servers. Name servers in an internetwork are able to contact each other and retrieve host information. If a name server does not have information about a particular domain, the name server relays the request to other name servers up or down the domain hierarchy until it receives an authoritative answer for the client’s query.

All name servers maintain information about contacting name servers that are available in other parts of the DNS namespace. This process of maintaining information is called linking to the existing DNS hierarchy. This is done by providing information about the root name servers. The administrator also enters information into the database about name servers in the lower-level domains. For example, when creating a subdomain, the administrator would provide the name server information of the subzone.

- ♦ “Primary Name Servers” on page 16
- ♦ “Secondary Name Servers” on page 16
- ♦ “Forward Name Servers” on page 16

### **Primary Name Servers**

One DNS name server in each administrative zone maintains the read-write copies of hostname database and address information for an entire domain. This name server is the primary name server, and the domain administrator updates it with hostnames and addresses as changes occur.

### **Secondary Name Servers**

Secondary name servers have read-only copies of the primary name server’s DNS database. Secondary name servers provide redundancy and load balancing for a domain.

Periodically, and when a secondary name server starts up, the secondary name server contacts the primary name server and requests a full or incremental copy of the primary name server’s DNS database. This process is called zone transfer.

If necessary, a primary name server can also function as a secondary name server for another zone.

### **Forward Name Servers**

The forward DNS server forwards all queries to another DNS server and caches the results. Unlike primary and secondary zones, there is no functional difference between a designated server and other servers.



## Root Name Servers

Root name servers contain information for the name servers in all top-level domains. The root server plays a very significant role in resolving DNS queries. Currently, there are 13 name servers available, which contain information of the name servers for all top-level domains.

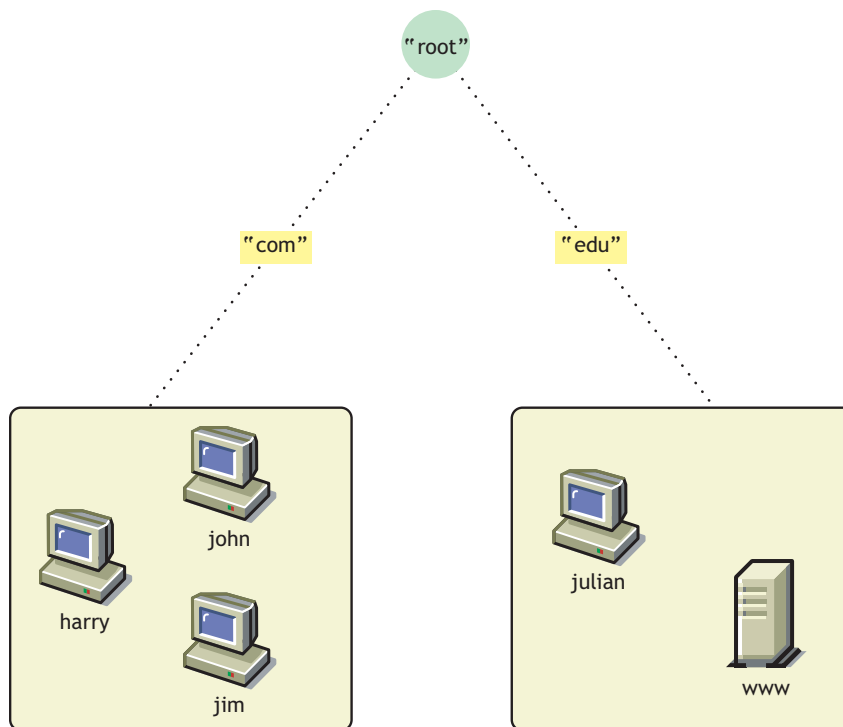
## DNS Resolver

Resolvers are programs. They connect user programs to domain name servers. A resolver receives a request from a user program and returns the desired information. It basically does a name-to-address, address-to-name, and general lookup.

## Name Resolution

DNS is a distributed database with multiple servers that maintain different parts of the same tree. The links between the servers are through root server and domain delegation as shown in the following figure:

**Figure 1-3** DNS Namespace



DNS queries can be resolved in two ways:

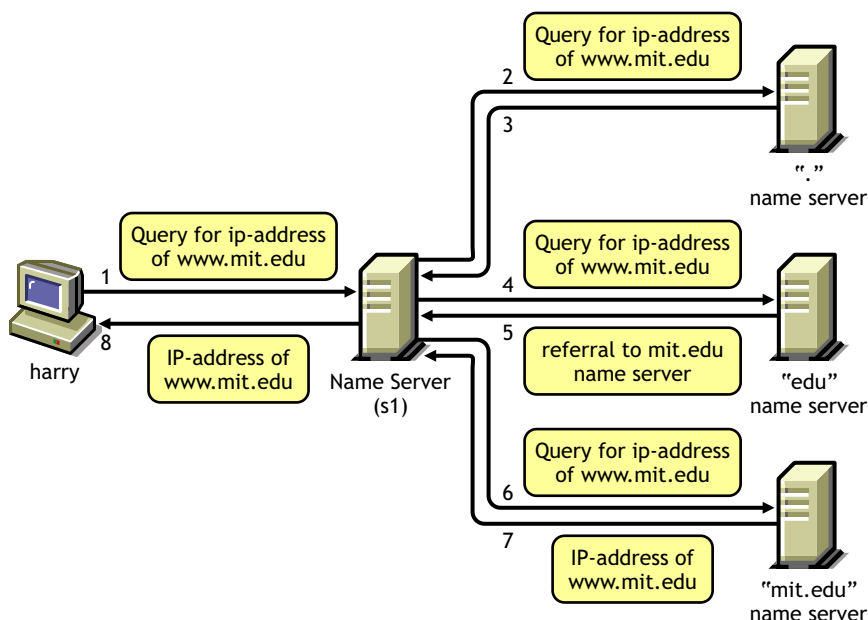
- ♦ **Iterative query:** An iterative request from a client expects the best actual answer or referral that the DNS server can immediately provide, without contacting other DNS servers.

For example, in [Figure 1-4](#), Harry initiates an iterative query for the A record of `www.mit.edu`. After receiving this query, the name server (s1) might return the answer, if the answer is available in the cache. If the answer is not available, the server returns a referral [NS and A RRs] to the other DNS servers that are closer to the names queried by the client.

- ♦ **Recursive query:** A recursive request from a client expects the actual answer that the DNS server can provide either from its own cache or by contacting other DNS servers.

For example, in **Figure 1-3** and **Figure 1-4**, Harry initiates a recursive query for the A record of `www.mit.edu`. After receiving this query, the name server (`s1`) contacts the root server to resolve this query and get the referrals (name server info) for `edu.` zone. Now, `s1` will again initiates a query for the A record of `www.mit.edu` to the name server (using the referrals received) of `edu.zone` gets the referrals for `mit.edu.zone`. Server `s1` again initiates a query for the A record of `www.mit.edu` to the name server (using the referrals received) of `mit.edu.` zone and gets the A record. This A record is returned to Harry.

**Figure 1-4** Name Resolution



## Caching

Caching is a mechanism to improve the performance of query resolution. The cache memory is empty when a server first starts. This cache is built as it starts resolving queries. It caches all the answers and referrals during recursive queries, and the cached data remains in the cache memory until the Time-To-Live (TTL) expires. The TTL specifies the time interval that the entries can be cached before they are discarded.

### 1.2.3 Resource Records

Resource records (RRs) contain the host information maintained by the name servers and make up the DNS database. Different types of records contain different types of host information. For example, an Address record provides the name-to-address mapping for a given host, and a Start of Authority (SOA) record specifies the start of authority for a given zone.

A DNS zone must contain several types of resource records in order for DNS to function properly. Other RRs can be present, but the following records are required for standard DNS:

- ♦ **Name Server (NS):** Binds a domain name with a hostname for a specific name server.

The DNS zone must contain NS records (for itself) for each primary and secondary name server of the zone. It must also contain NS records of the lower-level zones (if any) to provide links within the DNS hierarchy.

- ♦ **Start of Authority (SOA):** Indicates the start of authority for the zone.

The name server must contain only one SOA record, specifying its zone of authority.

For example, the name server for a zone must contain the following:

- ♦ An SOA record identifying its zone of authority
- ♦ An NS record for the primary name server within the zone
- ♦ An NS record for each secondary name server within the zone
- ♦ NS records for delegated zones, if any
- ♦ A records for the NS record (if applicable)

For more information about Resource Record types and their RDATA (Resource Record data), see [Section A.2, “Types of Resource Records,” on page 186](#).

## Deleting Empty Resource Records

A new command line utility (`dnsmaint.nlm`) that supports deletion of empty RRs that have accumulated over time is introduced in NetWare 6.5 SP3 release.

This utility must be executed on a NetWare 6.5 SP3 machine in the eDirectory tree. The usage of the utility is specified below.

```
dnsmaint -User [-Password] [-Zonelist] [-LocatorObject] [-NotUsedSince]
```

The command line options are listed in the table below:

**Table 1-1** *Command Line Options for Resource Records*

Options	Description
-User	Refers to the FQDN of the eDirectory user.
-Password	eDirectory password of the user. Can be passed either as a command line parameter or can be entered later at the password prompt, when the utility is run.
-ZoneList	<p>eDirectory FDQNs of the list of zones to be processed. Replace all occurrences of dot '.' in zone name with underscore '_'.</p> <p>Zone names must be separated by a semicolon(;).</p> <p>If this option is missing, then the locator object must be specified.</p>

Options	Description
-LocatorObject	eDirectory FQDN of the DNS locator object.  This option must be used only if the -Zonelist option is not specified.
-NotUsedSince	Empty RR's not used since the specified number of days are deleted.  By default all of the empty RRs are deleted.  Any number between 1 and 360 can be used.

#### Examples:

For all the samples, it is assumed that the eDirectory distinguished name of DNS locator object is dns-dhcp.novell.

- ♦ To delete all the empty RRs from all the zones in the eDirectory tree:

```
dnsmaint -User:admin.novell -Password:novell -LocatorObject:.dns-
dhcp.novell
```

- ♦ To delete all the empty RRs not used for three days from all the zones:

```
dnsmaint -User:admin.novell -Password:novell -LocatorObject:.dns-
dhcp.novell -NotUsedSince:3
```

- ♦ To delete all empty RRs from the zone blr.novell.com, which is under the eDirectory context dns-zones:

```
dnsmaint -User:admin.novell -Password:novell Zonelist:blr_novell_com.dns-
zones
```

---

**NOTE:** All the “.” (dots) in the zone name blr.novell.com are replaced with “\_” (underscores).

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- ♦ To delete empty RRs not used for five days from the zone 155.72.143.IN-ADDR.ARPA, which is under the eDirectory context novell.

```
dnsmaint -User:admin.novell -Password:novell -Zonelist:155_99_164_IN-
ADDR_ARPA.novell -NotUsedSince:5
```

## 1.2.4 DNS Structure

DNS is administered by building a database of information that includes all the resource records of a zone into a text file called a master file. The administration of these files is difficult and cumbersome. Initial versions of the Novell DNS server used Btrieve™ as its database. Other vendors also use large files to store information required for a DNS zone.

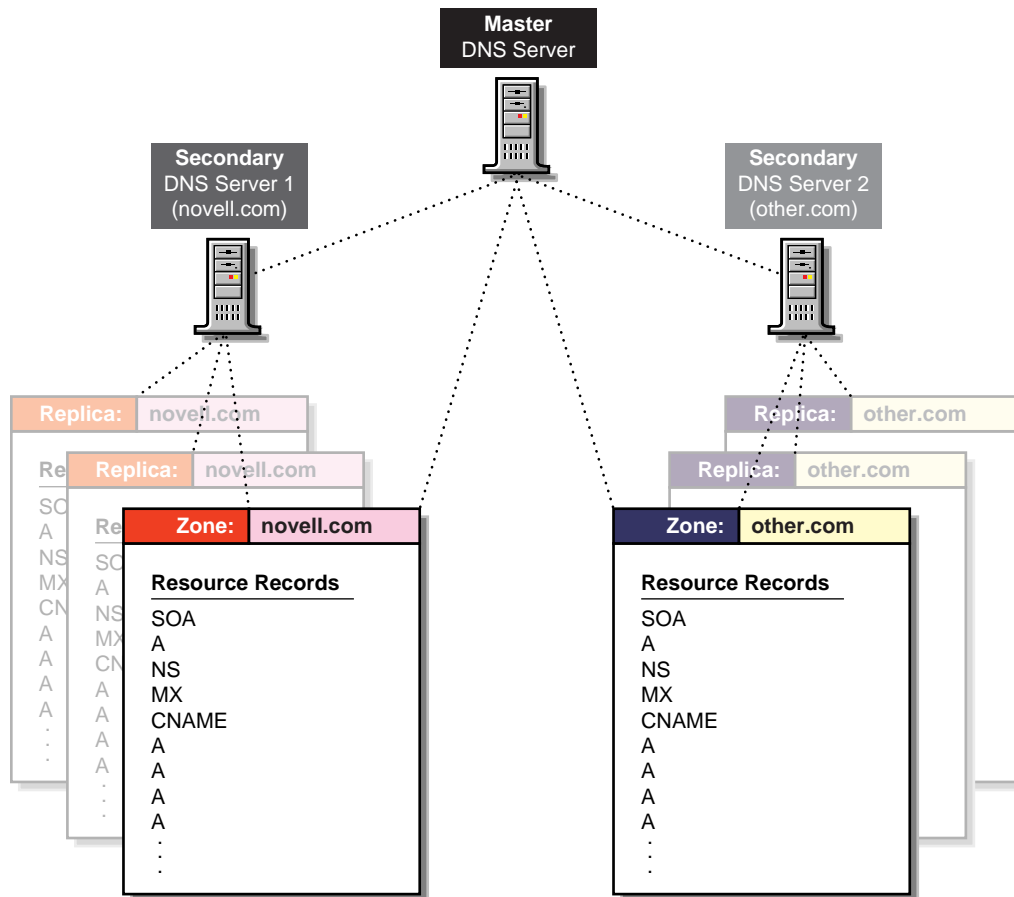
- ♦ “DNS Master File” on page 21
- ♦ “Master File Directives” on page 22

Figure 1-5 represents a traditional DNS strategy. A zone, such as novell.com, uses a primary DNS server to handle queries about the entities within it. A DNS server supports more than one zone, and it has at least one secondary server for backup (redundancy) or load-sharing purposes. The primary

DNS server provides DNS name service for two zones: novell.com and other.com. The secondary DNS server 1 provides backup support for novell.com zone, and the secondary DNS server 2 provides backup support for other.com zone. When changes occur to the DNS database, the master files corresponding to that zone at the secondary server are updated by zone transfers.

The file storing the resource records for a zone might have hundreds or thousands of entries for different types of resources, such as users' addresses, hosts, name servers, mail servers, and pointers to other resources.

**Figure 1-5** DNS Structure



## DNS Master File

A DNS master file is a text file that contains resource records that describe a zone. When you build a zone, the DNS objects and their attributes translate into resource records for that zone.

You can import a DNS master file if it conforms to IETF RFCs 1034, 1035, and 1183 and is in BIND master file format. A sample DNS master file is shown in the following example.

```
$ORIGIN companya.com.
```

```
@ soa ns.companya.com. admin.novell.com ( 1996091454 /* SOA sr no */ 3600 /*
Zone Refresh interval*/ 300 /* Zone retry interval */ 604800 /* Zone Expire
interval */ 86400) /* Zone Minimum TTL */ ns ns1.companya.com. ns
ns2.companya.com. mx 5 companya.com. $ORIGIN companya.com.ns1 a 123.45.67.89
ns2 a 123.45.68.103; End of file
```

## Master File Directives

The master file directives include \$GENERATE, \$ORIGIN, \$INCLUDE, and \$TTL.

- ♦ **\$GENERATE:** Enables you to create a series of resource records that differ from each other only by an iterator.

The syntax is:

```
$GENERATE range lhs type rhs [comment]
```

**Range:** Can be set to start-stop or start-stop/step. All values for start, stop, and step must be positive.

**lhs:** The owner name of the records to be created. The \$ symbols in the lhs will be replaced by the iterator value. Using \ \$ allows a \$ symbol in the output. A \$ can be optionally followed by a modifier as \$[{offset[,width[,base]]}].

A modifier can have an offset, a width, and a base. The offset is used to change the value of the iterator, base specifies the output format in which the values are printed, and width is used for padding. The available base values are decimal (d), octal (o), and hexadecimal (x or X). The default modifier is \${0, 0, d}. If the lhs is not absolute, the current value of \$ORIGIN is appended to the name.

**Type:** The resource record type. The supported types are PTR, CNAME, DNAME, A, AAAA, and NS.

**rhs:** The domain name Processed similarly to lhs.

For example:

```
$ORIGIN 0.0.192.IN-ADDR.ARPA
```

```
$GENERATE 1-2 0 NS SERVER$.EXAMPLE.com
```

is equivalent to

```
0.0.0.192.IN-ADDR.ARPA NS server1.example.com
```

```
0.0.0.192.IN-ADDR.ARPA NS server2.example.com
```

- ♦ **\$ORIGIN:** Enables you to set the domain name as the origin. The origin is appended to all domain names in the zone data file that do not end with a dot.

The syntax is:

```
$ORIGIN domain-name [comment]
```

For example:

\$ORIGIN example.com.

WWW CNAME Web server

is equivalent to

WWW.EXAMPLE.COM. CNAME webserver.example.com.

- ♦ **\$INCLUDE:** Enables you to include another file in the current file. The included file can be read and processed as if it were present in the current file at that point. The domain name can also be specified with the \$INCLUDE directive, to process the file included with \$ORIGIN set to that value. If the origin is not specified, the current \$ORIGIN is used.

After the included file is processed, the origin and the domain name values are reset to their previous values before processing the included file.

The syntax is:

```
$INCLUDE filename [origin] [comment]
```

---

**NOTE:** This directive is not supported in the Management utilities. Use the **ICE utility** to use this directive.

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- ♦ **\$TTL:** Enables you to set the default time to live for the subsequent resource records without any TTL values. The time range for TTL is from 0 to 214748367 seconds. If the \$TTL value is not present in the master file, the SOA minimum TTL is used as the default.

The syntax is:

```
$TTL default-ttl [comment]
```

## 1.3 Novell DNS Services

The DNS software in Novell DNS/DHCP Services integrates DNS information into the Novell eDirectory database. Previously, DNS used Btrieve\* as its database for configuration information. Integrating DNS with eDirectory moves all the information currently held in Btrieve files into eDirectory.

Integrating DNS with eDirectory greatly simplifies network administration by enabling you to enter all configuration information into one distributed database. The DNS configuration information is replicated just like any other data in eDirectory.

By integrating DNS into eDirectory, Novell has shifted the concept of a primary or secondary away from the server to the zone itself. After you have configured the zone, the data is available to any of the Novell DNS servers you select to make authoritative for the zone. The Novell DNS server takes advantage of the peer-to-peer nature of eDirectory by replicating the DNS data.

Novell DNS/DHCP Services interoperates with other DNS servers. The Novell DNS server can act as either a master DNS server or a secondary DNS server in relation to non-Novell DNS servers. The Novell DNS server can act as the master DNS server and transfer data to non-Novell secondary servers. Alternatively, one Novell DNS server can act as a secondary DNS server and get transferred data from a non-Novell master server. All Novell DNS servers can then access the data through eDirectory replication.

Novell DNS/DHCP Services provides the following DNS features:

- ♦ All DNS configuration is stored in eDirectory, facilitating enterprise-wide management.
- ♦ A Novell DNS server can be a secondary name server to a zone (DNS data loaded into eDirectory through a zone transfer), or it can be a primary name server.
- ♦ DNS data can be imported by using a BIND Master file to populate eDirectory for convenient upgrades from BIND implementations of DNS.
- ♦ DNS data can be exported from eDirectory into BIND Master file format.
- ♦ Root server information is stored in eDirectory and shared by all eDirectory-based DNS servers.
- ♦ Zone transfers are made to and from Novell servers. Full Zone Transfer-In (AXFR) and Incremental Zone Transfer-In (IXFR) are supported when the server is a designated secondary. Any type of server can perform a zone-out transfer.
- ♦ A Novell DNS server can be authoritative for multiple domains.
- ♦ Novell DNS servers maintain a cache of data from eDirectory so they can quickly respond to queries.
- ♦ A Novell DNS server can act as a cache or forwarder. Forwarding can be configured both at server and zone level. A forwarder specifies how the behavior of queries is controlled for which the server is not authoritative and the answers do not exist in the cache
- ♦ A Novell DNS server supports fault tolerance when there is an eDirectory service outage.
- ♦ Novell DNS servers support multihoming.
- ♦ DNS auditing can help diagnose problems. Each incident of zone transfer or server up and down is recorded.
- ♦ Novell DNS server software supports shuffling responses to queries that have multiple resource records.
- ♦ Novell DNS server is multi-threaded and MP-safe.
- ♦ Novell DNS server supports dynamic reconfiguration (automatic detection of the configuration and data changes).
- ♦ [Section 1.3.1, “Novell eDirectory Objects for DNS,” on page 25](#)
- ♦ [Section 1.3.2, “eDirectory Schema Extensions for DNS,” on page 26](#)
- ♦ [Section 1.3.3, “DNS SNMP Events,” on page 29](#)
- ♦ [Section 1.3.4, “Dynamic DNS,” on page 30](#)
- ♦ [Section 1.3.5, “Zone Transfer,” on page 31](#)
- ♦ [Section 1.3.6, “ICE Zone Handlers,” on page 32](#)
- ♦ [Section 1.3.7, “Dynamic Reconfiguration,” on page 33](#)
- ♦ [Section 1.3.8, “Fault Tolerance,” on page 33](#)
- ♦ [Section 1.3.9, “Cluster Support,” on page 33](#)
- ♦ [Section 1.3.10, “Notify,” on page 34](#)
- ♦ [Section 1.3.11, “Load Balancing,” on page 34](#)
- ♦ [Section 1.3.12, “Forwarding,” on page 34](#)



- ♦ [Section 1.3.13, “No-Forwarding,” on page 35](#)
- ♦ [Section 1.3.14, “Benefits of Integrating DNS Server with eDirectory,” on page 36](#)

### 1.3.1 Novell eDirectory Objects for DNS

Novell has integrated DNS into eDirectory by extending the eDirectory schema and creating new eDirectory objects to represent zones, resource records, and DNS name servers. Integrating these new objects into eDirectory simplifies the administration of DNS, enabling centralized administration and configuration.

A Zone object is an eDirectory container object that holds RRSset objects, which are leaf objects. A DNS server object is a leaf object. For detailed information about these objects, see [“eDirectory Objects and Attributes for DNS” on page 27](#).

By integrating DNS into eDirectory, Novell has shifted away from the traditional concept of primary or secondary DNS name servers to the concept of a primary or secondary zone.

In traditional DNS, all data changes are made on a single primary name server. When changes are made, the secondary name servers request transfers of the changes from the primary name server. This process is called a zone transfer. The master-slave approach has several disadvantages, the most significant being that all changes must be made at the primary server.

Using the primary and secondary zone concept, the Novell approach allows changes from anywhere in the network through eDirectory, which is not dependent on one server. Zone data is stored within eDirectory and is replicated just like any other data in the eDirectory tree.

The Novell implementation of DNS supports the traditional primary-secondary DNS name server approach to moving DNS data in and out of eDirectory. Although all Novell servers can recognize DNS data after the data is placed in the directory through eDirectory replication, only one server is required for a zone transfer. The server assigned to perform this function in a secondary zone is called the Zone-in (Designated Secondary) DNS server.

In a secondary zone, the Zone-in server is responsible for requesting a zone transfer of data from the external primary name server. The Zone-in server determines which data has changed for a zone and then makes updates to eDirectory so that other servers are aware of the changes.

A Forward zone acts as a forwarder and forwards all queries on zones to primary or secondary servers of the zone.

The Designated DNS server is a server identified by the network administrator to perform certain tasks for a primary zone. The DDNS server for a primary zone is the only server in that zone that receives dynamic updates from a DHCP server to perform Dynamic DNS (DDNS) updates. These updates cause additions and deletions of resource records and updates to the zone’s serial number.

[Figure 1-6](#) illustrates a Novell server as the primary and secondary DNS name server and also illustrates primary and secondary zones within eDirectory. In this example, there are two zones. Any of the Novell DNS servers assigned to a zone is able to respond authoritatively to queries for the zone. For each zone, one server is designated by the administrator to act as the DDNS server. S1 is the Designated Primary DNS server for Zone 1 and S3 is a Passive Primary server. S1 accepts the dynamic updates from the DHCP server. S2 is the Zone In (Designated Secondary) server and S4 is the Passive Secondary server for the secondary zone zone2, called the Foreign Zone. S2 occasionally requests zone transfers from the foreign server and places the modified zone data into eDirectory, where any of the Novell servers can respond to queries for it. S3 and S4 get the latest data through eDirectory.

**Figure 1-6** Novell Server As a Primary/Secondary DNS Server

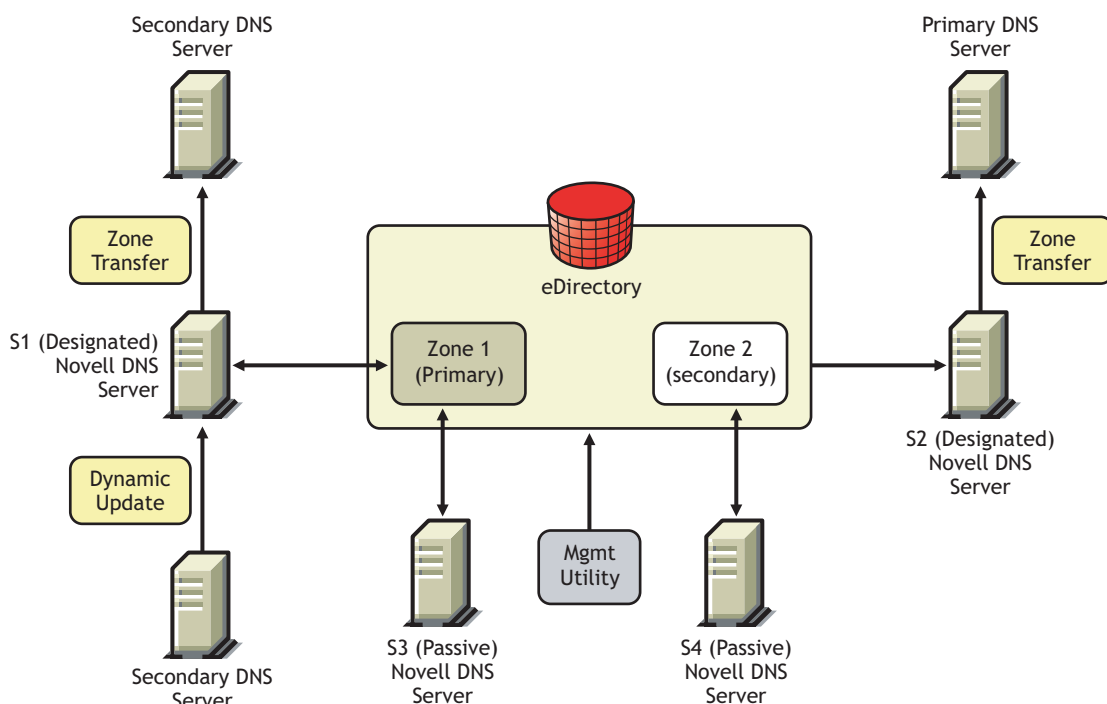
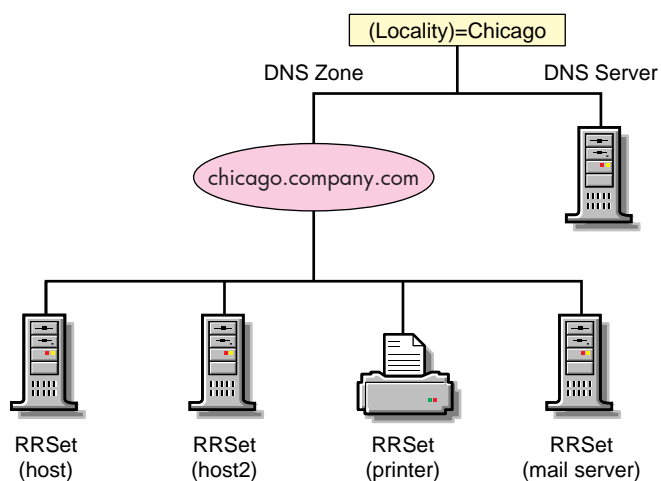


Figure 1-7 shows a representation of eDirectory objects within a DNS zone.

**Figure 1-7** DNS Zone



### 1.3.2 eDirectory Schema Extensions for DNS

The eDirectory schema extension defines additional objects needed for DNS and DHCP.

- “DNS/DHCP Global eDirectory Objects” on page 27
- “eDirectory Objects and Attributes for DNS” on page 27

## DNS/DHCP Global eDirectory Objects

When you select Novell DNS/DHCP Services during the NetWare 6.5 installation, the eDirectory schema is extended to enable the creation of DNS and DHCP objects and the following objects are created:

- ♦ DNS/DHCP Locator object
- ♦ DNS/DHCP Group object
- ♦ RootSrvrInfo Zone

Only one copy of these objects exists in an eDirectory tree. The DNS servers, DHCP servers, iManager, and Management Console must have access to these objects.

The DNS/DHCP Group object is a standard eDirectory group object. The DNS and DHCP servers gain rights to DNS and DHCP data within the tree through the Group object.

The DNS/DHCP Locator object is created during the NetWare 6.5 installation, if the DNS/DHCP option is chosen. The creator of the Locator object grants Read and Write rights to this object to the network administrators.

The DNS/DHCP Locator object contains global defaults, DHCP options, and a list of all DNS and DHCP servers, subnets, and zones in the tree. The iManager utility and Management Console use the Locator object contents instead of searching the entire tree to display these objects. The Locator object is basically hidden by the iManager utility and Management Console.

The RootSrvrInfo Zone is a Zone object, which is an eDirectory container object that contains resource records for the DNS root servers. The resource record sets contain Name Server records and Address records of name servers that provide pointers for DNS queries to the root servers. The RootSrvrInfo Zone object is the equivalent of the BIND `db.root` file.

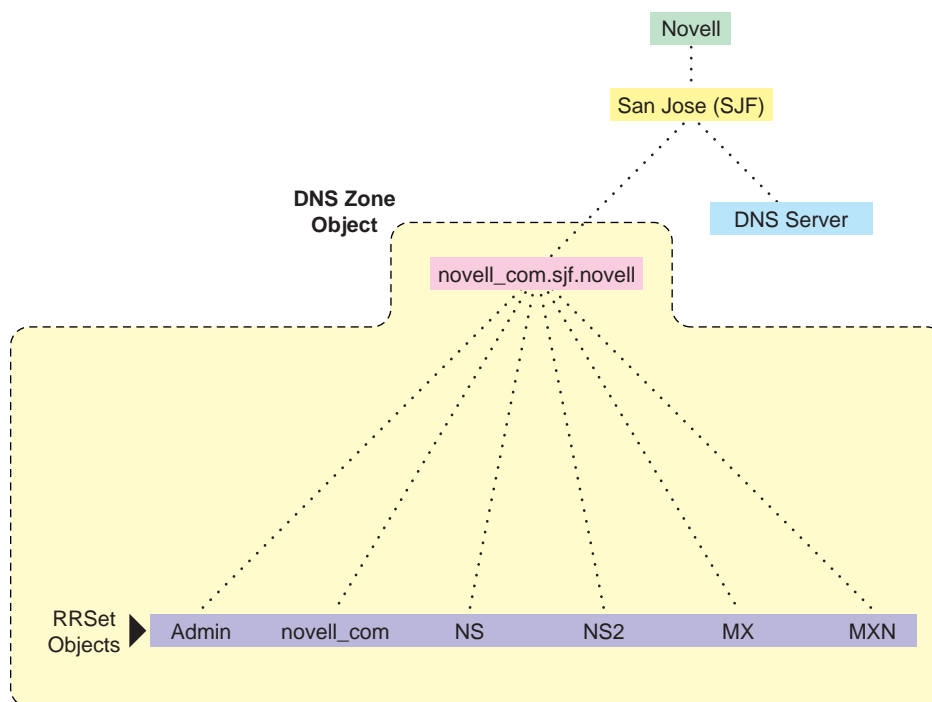
## eDirectory Objects and Attributes for DNS

The following new eDirectory objects are required for DNS:

- ♦ DNS Name Server object
- ♦ DNS Zone object
- ♦ DNS Resource Record Set object

Figure 1-8 shows an example of a tree with DNS objects.

**Figure 1-8** *eDirectory Objects for DNS*



- ♦ “DNS Server Object” on page 28
- ♦ “DNS Zone Object” on page 29
- ♦ “DNS Resource Record Set Object” on page 29
- ♦ “DNS Resource Records” on page 29

### DNS Server Object

The DNS server object (or Service object) is created by extending the NetWare Core Protocol™ (NCP™) server object. The DNS server reference is stored in the NCP server during the creation of the server object. A DNS server object can be contained in an Organization (O), Organizational Unit (OU), Country (C), or Locality (L). The DNS server object contains DNS server configuration parameters, including the following:

- ♦ Zone List
- ♦ DNS Server IP Address
- ♦ Domain Name of the DNS Server
- ♦ DNS Server Options
- ♦ Forwarding List
- ♦ No-Forwarding List
- ♦ Access Control List for zone transfer, query, recursion, notify, etc.
- ♦ Other additional advanced options to fine-tune the DNS server

## DNS Zone Object

The DNS Zone object is a container object that contains all the data for a single DNS zone. A Zone object is the first level of the DNS zone description. A Zone object can be contained under an Organization (O), Organizational Unit (OU), a Country (C), or a Locality (L).

Multiple DNS zones can be represented within eDirectory by using separate, independent DNS Zone objects. A network administrator can support multiple DNS zones on a single NetWare server by creating multiple DNS Zone objects and assigning the server to serve those zones.

The DNS Zone object contains data that correlates to a DNS Start of Authority (SOA) resource record (RR), a member list of all eDirectory-based DNS servers that serve the zone, and Dynamic DNS (DDNS) server information.

The DNS namespace hierarchy is not represented within the eDirectory hierarchy. A zone and its child zone might appear as peers within the eDirectory hierarchy, even though they have a parent-child relationship within the DNS hierarchy.

DNS object names are created by using the DNS Zone names as follows:

All "." are replaced by "\_" and all "-" are replaced by "#". The only supported characters for domain names are a-z, A-Z, 0-9, hyphens, and underscores. For example, the name of the Zone object for new.york.company.com zone, which exists in an eDirectory context sjf.us., would be new#york.company\_com.sjf.us.

## DNS Resource Record Set Object

The DNS Resource Record Set (RRSet) object is an eDirectory leaf object contained within a DNS Zone object. An RRSet object represents an individual domain name within a DNS zone. Its required attributes are a DNS domain name and Resource Records (RRs).

Each domain name within a DNS zone object has an RRSet object. Each RRSet object has one or more resource records beneath it that contain additional information about the zone data.

## DNS Resource Records

A DNS resource record (RR) is an attribute of an RRSet that contains the resource record type and data of a single RR. RRs are configured beneath their respective RRSet objects. Resource records describe their associated RRSet object.

The most common resource records are Address (A) records, which map a domain name to an IP address, and Pointer (PTR) records, which map an IP address to a domain name within an IN-ADDR.ARPA zone.

### 1.3.3 DNS SNMP Events

SNMP event generation can be set up in a Novell DNS server for all, major, or no events. The default setting is none, which causes the server not to log any event.

SNMP trap flag is a single-valued attribute in eDirectory, which is an optional attribute in the DNS server objects. SNMP trap flag can be set by using the management utilities.

SNMP event generation can be set up either for trapping major events or all events. This can also be disabled for not generating any traps.

### 1.3.4 Dynamic DNS

Dynamic DNS (DDNS) provides a way to dynamically update DNS with resource records from applications such as DHCP servers and DNS clients. DDNS eliminates the need for any additional configuration of DNS for each host address change. Novell DNS server supports the following DDNS mechanisms:

- ♦ Novell DDNS, a mechanism by which Novell DHCP servers update Novell DNS servers
- ♦ RFC 2136-based dynamic updates

All changes made to a zone by using dynamic updates are stored in the zone's journal file. This file is automatically created by the server in a binary format when the first dynamic update takes place. The journal file name has the `.jnl` extension. This file is also used for IXFR.

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**NOTE:** Do not edit the contents of the journal file.

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- ♦ “Novell DDNS” on page 30
- ♦ “2136 Dynamic Update” on page 31

#### Novell DDNS

The Dynamic DNS (DDNS) feature of Novell DNS/DHCP Services provides a way to update DNS with accurate Address (A) records and Pointer (PTR) records for address assignments made by a DHCP server. Address (A) records map a domain name to an IP address. A Pointer (PTR) record specifies a domain name that points to some location in the domain namespace. These resource records are required for both name-to-address and address-to-name resolutions.

When DDNS is active, the DHCP server updates the DDNS server for the zone, adding or deleting the corresponding Address and Pointer records. The DHCP server also notifies the DDNS server when leases expire, causing the A and PTR records to be deleted.

When the DHCP server grants a lease to a client that is subject to DDNS updates, the DHCP server updates its IP address database and eDirectory to store the transaction. The DHCP server also contacts the DNS server and submits a request for a DNS update.

For DDNS updates, the DNS server requires the fully qualified domain name (FQDN) and the IP address of the client. The DHCP server knows the IP address, but it must assemble the FQDN from the hostname and the subnet's domain name.

The DNS server usually maintains two resource records for each client. One maps FQDNs to IP addresses by using A records. The other maps the IP address to the FQDN by using PTR records. When DDNS is enabled and a client receives an address from the DHCP server, the DNS server updates both of these records.

When a client loses or ends its lease and is subject to DDNS updates, the DNS server receives the DDNS update request and deletes the PTR and A records associated with the client.

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**NOTE:** While using the Novell DHCP server, both the forward and reverse zones must be designated primary on a single server.

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## 2136 Dynamic Update

Novell DNS server supports dynamic updates complying with the RFC 2136 standards. This support provides the ability to update various types of resource records into DNS under certain specified conditions. Dynamic update is fully described in RFC 2136.

2136 dynamic update can be enabled or disabled on a zone-by-zone basis, by specifying the allow-update filter for the zone. It grants permission to the clients to update any record or name in the zone.

## 1.3.5 Zone Transfer

Zone transfer is essential for maintaining up-to-date zone data in the server. When a Novell server is designated as primary, all the changes made by the designated primary to eDirectory are reflected in the eDirectory replicas, using the eDirectory sync property. When a Novell server is designated as secondary, zone transfer is needed for receiving the most up-to-date zone data from any primary servers.

The designated secondary server sends a zone-in request after the refresh time interval or after receiving a notification from the primary server. The zone transfer-in requests are not triggered if the eDirectory services are not available.

The final step in a successful zone transfer-in is to update the SOA serial number. The passive secondary servers compare the eDirectory SOA serial number with their own copy to determine whether there is a need to synchronize the data from eDirectory.

The following types of zone transfers are supported:

- ♦ “Full-Zone Transfer-In” on page 31
- ♦ “Incremental Zone Transfer-In” on page 31

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**NOTE:** No zone transfer-in is initiated if it fails while the zone transfer is taking place. The changed data is overwritten during the next zone transfer.

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### Full-Zone Transfer-In

The secondary server receives a full-zone transfer-in (AXFR) into a different zone database. After the complete zone data is received, the server replaces the old database with the new one, and will try to identify the difference between the existing zone database and the new database that is received. This difference is then applied to eDirectory for better performance.

For more information on DNS AXFR, refer to RFC 1034.

### Incremental Zone Transfer-In

Incremental zone transfer-in (IXFR) is considered to be a more efficient zone transfer mechanism than AXFR because it transfers only the changed data of the zone. IXFR transfers only the modified data by using the journal file maintained by the DNS server. When a server gets an IXFR request (which has the current SOA serial number of the requester), the server looks into the JNL file to get the modified data from that SOA serial number to the latest SOA serial number and returns the data to the requester. For more information on DNS IXFR, refer to RFC 1995.

### 1.3.6 ICE Zone Handlers

An ICE zone handler is a utility to import or export the DNS server, zone configuration information, and data to or from the eDirectory database.

The Import-Convert-Export (ICE) utility is a framework provided by Novell that contains the ICE engine, the source handler, and the destination handler. This provides a command line interface to access its functionality and to read the required data. It expects the data processed by the handlers in LDAP format.

The ICE zone handler is plugged into the ICE framework. The required data and the handler information must be provided by using the command line interface, so the information is processed by the zone handler and passed to the ICE engine. The ICE engine migrates this data. ICE has the option of using LDAP Bulk Update/Replication Protocol (LBURP) to increase the speed of data migration.

The zone module handlers consist of a zone source handler and a zone destination handler. By using these handlers, data can be migrated from files to eDirectory (import operation) or from eDirectory to the files (export operation).

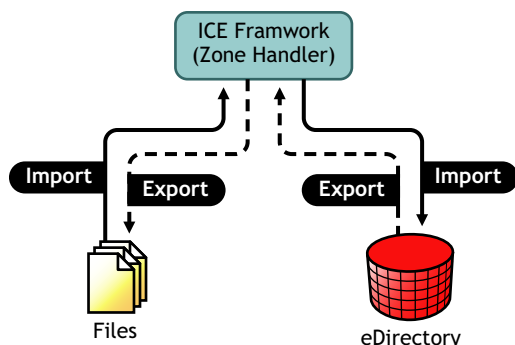
A zone source handler that forms the data to be imported and the LDAP destination handler that does the eDirectory update operation are used to import a zone. A zone destination handler that reads the required data from eDirectory and the zone source handler that formats the data and writes into the files are used to export a zone.

The table below describes the source and destination handlers for zone import and export.

**Table 1-2** Source and Destination Handlers for Zone Import and Export

Operation	Source Handler	Destination Handler
Import (read from file)	Zone	LDAP
Export (read from eDirectory)	Zone	Zone

**Figure 1-9** ICE Framework



For more information, see [“DNS/DHCP Advanced Features” on page 169](#).



### 1.3.7 Dynamic Reconfiguration

The Novell DNS server supports dynamic reconfiguration. The DNS server automatically detects and updates any change in the server's or zone's configuration data. This enables the server to configure itself with these changes without having the administrator intervene to stop and restart the server. Also, out-of-band data changes (creating, modifying, deleting RRs through management utility) are addressed.

The dynamic reconfiguration is also used to monitor the availability of eDirectory with respect to the individual zones, and to detect and log changes that can be used for fault tolerance.

### 1.3.8 Fault Tolerance

A Novell DNS server supports fault tolerance during an eDirectory service outage. The DNS server loads the configuration and zone data from eDirectory during startup. Also, the dynamic updates received for zone data are updated to eDirectory. It is essential for the DNS server to maintain backup copies of eDirectory to get to the zone database during eDirectory unavailability.

The DNS server supports standard DNS queries during fault tolerance mode. However, dynamic updates and zone-in transfers are not supported during this mode because eDirectory cannot be updated.

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**NOTE:** During fault tolerance mode operation, eDirectory might not be available for all zones. Operations other than dynamic update and zone-in are supported for zones that are unavailable.

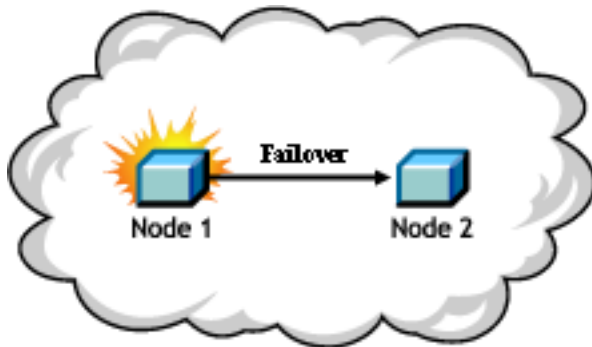
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### 1.3.9 Cluster Support

The Novell DNS server supports cluster service with active-passive and cluster-safe modes. When a DNS server is run on any node, it uses a DNS server object in eDirectory. The cluster-enabled DNS service uses the same DNS server object for the other nodes during a node outage.

When there is a node (node1) outage, clustering enables a DNS server to automatically bring up any other node (node2) using the same server object that was used before the outage. The DNS server object contains a reference to the virtual NCP server, which is used to locate the DNS server object. For more information, see [Section 7.2, "Cluster Support," on page 173](#).

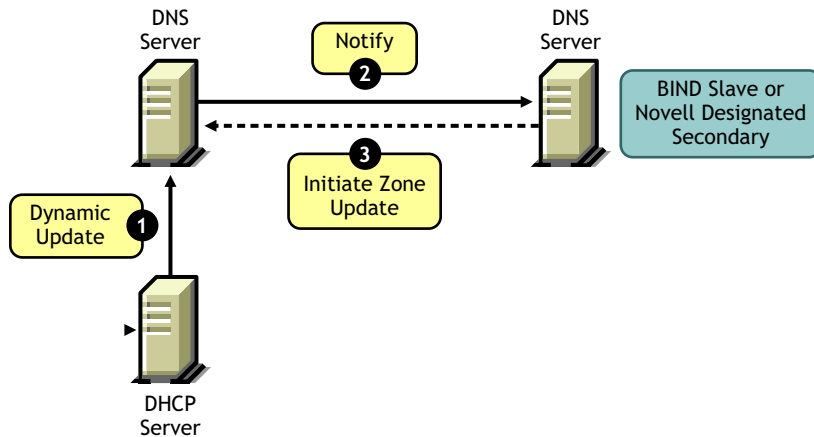
**Figure 1-10** Cluster Support



### 1.3.10 Notify

DNS Notify is a mechanism that allows master name servers to notify their slave servers of changes to a zone's data. In response to a notification from a master server, the slave verifies the SOA serial number of the zone (sent through the notify mechanism) to see if it is newer compared to the current SOA serial number. If the serial number is newer, a zone transfer is initiated. For Novell DNS servers, receiving Notify is valid only for designated secondary servers. Passive servers receive the latest data through eDirectory replication.

**Figure 1-11** Notify



For more information on DNS notify, refer to RFC 1996.

### 1.3.11 Load Balancing

If all resolvers querying for a name get the same response, and if all of them contact the same host, then that host becomes overloaded. Primitive load balancing can be achieved in DNS by using multiple records for one name. When a resolver queries for these records, the DNS server shuffles them and responds to the query with the records in a different order. For more information, see the description of the [RRset-ordering](#).

For example, suppose you have three Web servers with these three different IP addresses:

www 3600 IN A 10.10.0.1

3600 IN A 10.10.0.2

3600 IN A 10.10.0.3

DNS server randomly shuffles the RRs so that clients randomly receive records in the order 1, 2, 3; 2, 3, 1; and 3, 1, 2. Most clients use the first record returned and discard the rest.

### 1.3.12 Forwarding

The name server can forward some or all of the queries that it cannot satisfy from its authoritative data or cache to another name server; this is commonly referred to as a forwarder.

Forwarders are typically used when all servers at a given site should not be allowed to interact directly with the rest of the Internet servers. A typical scenario involves a number of internal DNS servers and an Internet firewall. Servers unable to pass packets through the firewall forward to the server that can do it, and that server queries the Internet DNS servers on the internal server's behalf. An added benefit of using the forwarding feature is that the central machine develops a much more complete cache of information that all of the clients can take advantage of. Forwarding occurs only on those queries for which the server is not authoritative and does not have the answer in its cache.

The forwarding list is a list of IP addresses for the DNS servers to forward the queries to. If a name server is configured to forward queries to 10.10.10.2, all queries that do not have resolutions to the name server are forwarded to 10.10.10.2. See [“DNS Namespace” on page 17](#). Now forwarding is possible at zone level as well. When forwarders are configured at zone level, they override the forwarders list configured at the server level.

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**NOTE:** The forwarding list syntax is different from the Bind 9.2 syntax for forwarders.

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### 1.3.13 No-Forwarding

No-Forwarding is blocking queries to the list of DNS domains. The No-forward list is the list of domain names whose unresolved queries are not forwarded to other DNS servers.

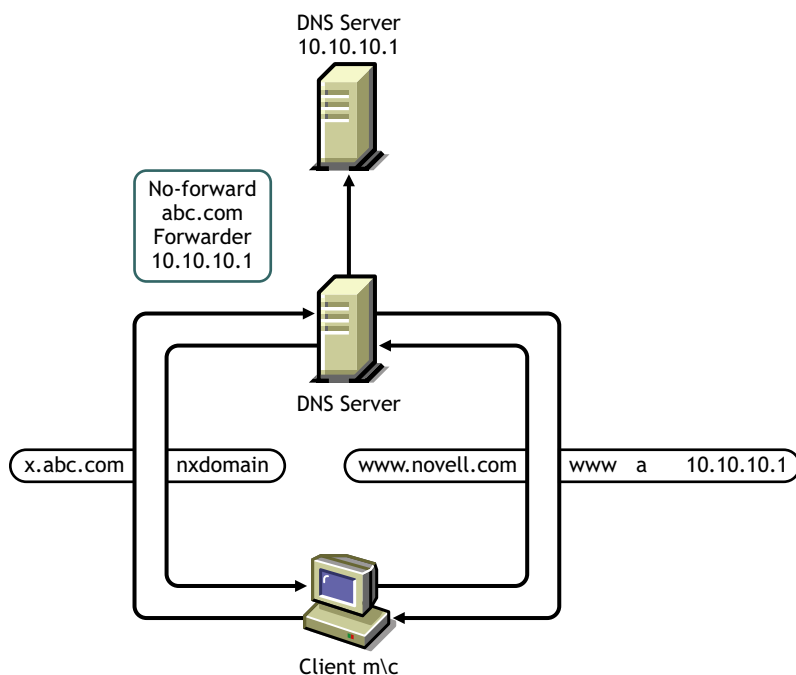
On a query from the client, the authoritative database is first checked. If the domain name is not found, the no-forward list is checked. If the no-forward list contains the entry, the query is not answered and the response `domain does not exist` (NXDOMAIN) is sent to the client. See [“Name Resolution” on page 18](#).

For example, having the domain name `abc.com` in the no-forward list blocks the queries to `abc.com`, `support.abc.com`, or any other subdomain of `abc.com`.

Wildcard characters are not supported in the no-forward list. An asterisk or a root domain in the no-forward list cannot be used to block queries to all domain names.

For example, `developer.*.com` cannot be used to block the queries to `developer.novell.com` or `developer.xyz.com`, etc.

**Figure 1-12** No-Forwarding



### 1.3.14 Benefits of Integrating DNS Server with eDirectory

The primary benefits of integrating DNS server with eDirectory include:

- ♦ Centralized eDirectory-based DNS configuration and management. Configuration must typically be done on a per-server basis with non-Novell DNS servers.
- ♦ DNS data is centrally managed in eDirectory. All servers associated with a zone become primary or secondary. That is, you get the benefit of all zones being primary, as opposed to a single zone being primary.
- ♦ DNS zone data is replicated by using eDirectory replication, which eliminates the need for explicit DNS replication.

## 1.4 DHCP

The Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP) uses a client/server structure to provide configuration parameters to hosts. DHCP consists of a protocol for providing host-specific configuration parameters from a DHCP server (or collection of DHCP servers) to a host, and a mechanism to allocate network addresses to a host.

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**NOTE:** In this document, the term *host* refers to a network device that requires an IP address and might have a hostname.

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When the DHCP server is loaded, it reads its configuration information from eDirectory and stores the information in its cache. As the DHCP server assigns addresses to clients, it updates eDirectory, adding IP address objects or modifying their eDirectory status information. The DHCP server can be configured to maintain an audit log of this activity. For information about maintaining an audit log of DHCP server activity, see [“Configuring DHCP Auditing” on page 122](#).

The network administrator can view objects to see how addresses have been assigned.

For more information, see:

- ♦ “DHCP and BOOTP” on page 39
- ♦ “IP Address Allocation” on page 40
- ♦ “Virtual LAN Environments” on page 41
- ♦ “DHCP Auditing” on page 41
- ♦ “DHCP Options” on page 42
- ♦ “eDirectory Objects for DHCP” on page 43

A Novell DHCP server automatically assigns IP addresses and other configuration information to clients upon request or when the clients are restarted. Automatic assignment of configuration information reduces the amount of work required to configure and manage a large IP network.

In addition, integrating DHCP with eDirectory enables you to enter all configuration information into one distributed database. This greatly simplifies network administration and provides for the replication of DHCP configuration information.

DHCP provides for both static and dynamic configuration of IP clients. Static configuration enables you to assign a specific IP address and configuration to a client with a specific machine or MAC address. When DHCP assigns IP addresses dynamically, IP clients are assigned an IP address that is chosen from a range of available addresses. You can use dynamic address assignments when you are not concerned about which IP address a particular client uses. Each IP client that requests an address assignment can also use the other DHCP configuration parameters.

DHCP can limit the amount of time a DHCP client can use an IP address. This is known as the lease time. You can use the lease time to allow a large number of clients to use a limited number of IP addresses.

DHCP is based on BOOTP and maintains some backward compatibility. Novell DHCP servers can be configured to respond to requests from BOOTP clients.

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**NOTE:** In order to use the Novell DHCP server, the Novell DNS server must be a DNS designated primary server for both the forward and reverse zones.

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Novell DNS/DHCP Services provides the following DHCP features:

- ♦ All DHCP configuration is managed in eDirectory, facilitating enterprise-wide management.
- ♦ DHCP options can be set at three levels:
  - ♦ Enterprise level
  - ♦ Subnet level
  - ♦ Specific client level
- ♦ The configuration utility has import/export functions that support the following:
  - ♦ Populating eDirectory from an existing Novell DHCP server 2.0 DHCPTAB file or from a BOOTPTAB file (for Novell BOOTP)
  - ♦ Saving configuration information out of eDirectory
- ♦ You can configure the level of SNMP event trap generation for all events, major events only, or no events.

- ♦ Client assignment policy options (to support mobile clients that move around the network) include:
  - ♦ Allow Duplicate
  - ♦ Delete Duplicate
  - ♦ No Duplicate
- ♦ You can maintain a hardware exclusion list to deny service to unwanted devices by their MAC addresses.
- ♦ The DHCP software updates eDirectory to record all address assignments to LAN clients.
- ♦ You can use Dynamic DNS (DDNS) to update DNS with information about addresses assigned and rescinded.
- ♦ The DHCP software enables the server to cache addresses and other configuration information from eDirectory for quick response.
- ♦ The DHCP software has one DHCP server NetWare Loadable Module™ (NLM) file that supports both LAN and remote access clients.
- ♦ You can configure the DHCP server to ping an address to verify that no other device is using it before assigning the address to a client.
- ♦ Provides fault tolerance as follows:
  - ♦ A server can survive a temporary local eDirectory service outage and recover automatically.
  - ♦ DHCP configuration is replicated like other eDirectory data.
- ♦ DHCP auditing can help diagnose problems. Each incident of address deletion, addition, and rejection is recorded.
- ♦ The DHCP software can work with any DNS server.

Novell DNS/DHCP Services supports the features that were previously provided by Novell DHCP server 2.0 and supports the standards of the following RFCs:

- ♦ RFC 2131: Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol
- ♦ RFC 2132: DHCP Options and BOOTP Vendor Extensions
- ♦ RFC 2241: DHCP Options and Novell Directory Services
- ♦ RFC 2242: NetWare/IP Domain Name and Information

Novell DNS/DHCP Services also supports the BOOTP standards of the following RFCs:

- ♦ RFC 1497: BOOTP Vendor Information Extensions
- ♦ RFC 1534: Interoperation Between BOOTP and DHCP
- ♦ RFC 1542: Clarifications and Extensions for the Bootstrap Protocol

For more information, see:

- ♦ [Section 1.4.1, “DHCP and BOOTP,” on page 39](#)
- ♦ [Section 1.4.2, “IP Address Allocation,” on page 40](#)
- ♦ [Section 1.4.3, “Virtual LAN Environments,” on page 41](#)
- ♦ [Section 1.4.4, “DHCP Auditing,” on page 41](#)

- ♦ [Section 1.4.5, “DHCP Options,” on page 42](#)
- ♦ [Section 1.4.6, “eDirectory Objects for DHCP,” on page 43](#)

## 1.4.1 DHCP and BOOTP

DHCP is based on the Bootstrap protocol (BOOTP) and maintains some backward compatibility. BOOTP was designed for manual configuration of the host information in a server database. Novell has extended support for BOOTP to provide Dynamic BOOTP support. A pool of addresses can be set up for BOOTP address assignment so that each BOOTP address does not need to be configured separately.

From the clients' point of view, DHCP is an extension of BOOTP, enabling existing BOOTP clients to interoperate with DHCP servers without requiring any change to the client initialization software. Some new, additional options optimize DHCP client-server interaction.

There are two primary differences between BOOTP and DHCP. DHCP defines methods through which clients receive IP addresses for a specified period of time, enabling serial reassignment of addresses to different clients. There is no concept of a lease time in BOOTP; address assignments (even in Dynamic BOOTP) are permanent. In addition, DHCP provides a method for a client to acquire all of the IP configuration parameters it requires to operate.

If multiple servers service a single subnet, only the principal server can be designated as an automatic BOOTP server.

Another difference between the two protocols is a change in terminology to clarify the meaning of the Vendor Extension field in BOOTP messages. With DHCP, this field is called the Option field.

### Using a BOOTP Relay Agent

A BOOTP relay agent (also known as a forwarder) is an Internet host that passes DHCP messages between DHCP clients and DHCP servers in a subnet environment. The forwarder usually resides on an IP router; however, any Novell server on a subnet can run the `bootpfwd.nlm`. The DHCP service in Novell DNS/DHCP Services provides relay agent functions as specified in the BOOTP protocol specification (Internet RFC 951).

When a client starts up, it sends a UDP broadcast message, called a Discover packet, to address 0xFFFFFFFF over port 67 requesting an address.

The forwarder has an IP address on the network and acts like a DHCP server, listening for Discover packets from clients on its LAN that are meant for a DHCP server. The forwarder must be configured with the destination address of the actual DHCP server on a different LAN segment that will provide DHCP service.

The DHCP server must be configured to serve the subnet on which the forwarder is located. The DHCP server must have a subnet address range to provide service.

After receiving a Discover packet from a client, the forwarder reformats the packet and sends it to the DHCP server. The DHCP server responds to the forwarder with an Offer packet containing an address for the client.

When the forwarder receives the Offer packet from the DHCP server, the forwarder contacts the client and provides the IP address and lease information.

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**NOTE:** The BOOTP protocol, unlike DHCP, does not provide a mechanism for a client to accept only a single offer of an IP address; therefore, the iManager utility and the Management Console allow only the server that is specified as the default server in a Subnet object to be assigned to any address ranges that include BOOTP addresses. If you want to assign other servers to the address ranges, you should change the address range type so that it doesn't include BOOTP. If the range type includes BOOTP, you will not be allowed to change the DHCP server assigned to the range.

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## 1.4.2 IP Address Allocation

Allocation of IP addresses, either temporary or permanent, is one of the two primary services provided by DHCP. The client requests an IP address, and the DHCP server (or collection of DHCP servers) provides an address and guarantees not to give that address to another client within a specified time. Additionally, the server tries to return the same address to the client each time the client requests an address. The period of time over which an IP address is allocated to a client is called a lease.

DHCP supports three methods of IP address allocation:

- ♦ **Dynamic BOOTP allocation**
- ♦ **Dynamic DHCP allocation**
- ♦ **Manual (or static) allocation**

A network can use one or more of these methods. The network administrator decides which methods to use.

### Dynamic BOOTP Allocation

Dynamic BOOTP enables a DHCP server to assign permanent addresses to BOOTP clients from a pool of addresses. No manual configuration of the client is required prior to address allocation.

### Dynamic DHCP Allocation

Dynamic DHCP allocation is the only method enabling automatic reuse of addresses no longer required by a client. Dynamic DHCP allocation is useful for assigning an address to a client that will be connected temporarily to the network or for sharing a limited number of IP addresses among a group of clients that do not require permanently assigned IP addresses.

Dynamic DHCP allocation is also useful for assigning an IP address to a new client installed on a network on which IP addresses are scarce and must be reclaimed when older hosts are removed. An additional benefit to dynamic DHCP allocation is that when a client's lease is renewed, the DHCP server refreshes the client's configuration.

### Manual Allocation

Manual or static allocation is used to assign addresses to DHCP or BOOTP clients. A specific IP address is assigned to the client based on an identifier such as the client's hardware or MAC address.

Manual allocation of DHCP eliminates the error-prone method of manually configuring hosts with IP addresses in networks for which IP address management without DHCP is desired. Manual allocation can be permanent or can be set to expire at a future time. When you manually allocate addresses, you can also create corresponding DNS Resource Records, thereby eliminating another error-prone activity.



## Lease Options

A client acquires a lease for a fixed period of time. The length of the lease can be a number of hours or days, or it can be for an indefinite period.

After a lease for an IP address has been granted, a client can issue a request to extend its lease. The client can also issue a message to the server to release the address back to the server when the address is no longer required.

If a network has a limited number of IP addresses and must reassign them, the DHCP server reassigns an address when the lease has expired. The server uses configuration information to choose addresses to reuse. For example, the server might choose the least recently assigned address for reassignment. After receiving an address assignment, the host determines whether the address is in use by another host before accepting the address.

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**IMPORTANT:** Address duplication sometimes occurs with Windows 95 clients. If a Windows 95 client receives a response indicating that the assigned address is in use by another device, a message indicates the IP address conflict. However, the client does not send a DHCPDECLINE message as required by RFC 1534, section 4.4.1.

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To minimize the chance of address duplication, the DHCP server can be configured to ping an address to test its validity before assigning it to a host. If the server receives a response from another device (indicating ownership of the address), the current address assignment is withdrawn so that another address can be assigned to the host.

### 1.4.3 Virtual LAN Environments

In environments using a virtual LAN (VLAN), multiple subnets might be defined on one physical subnet segment. For example, one physical subnet segment might contain several Class C addresses to form a larger address range than allowed for a Class C address. To accommodate a VLAN environment, a Subnet Pool object must be configured on the DHCP server to bind the multiple subnets together.

If a forwarder forwards client requests from a physical subnet segment with multiple subnet bindings and these subnets are bound to a single subnet pool, the collection of addresses available in configured subnet address ranges is available to all clients (DHCP or BOOTP) on that physical subnet. This is the primary use of the subnet pool.

Clients that are on the same subnet as the DHCP server do not need to be configured for the subnet pool if the server is bound to all local subnet addresses, or if the server has an address on each local subnet.

### 1.4.4 DHCP Auditing

Auditing can be used to perform an analysis of historical data and to help diagnose operational difficulties. Auditing uses a Btrieve database to store and manage data providing meaningful trend analysis.

When auditing is enabled, every incidence of address deletion, addition, and rejection is recorded in the audit log. The beginning and end of each session is marked to aid in reviewing the audit log. The beginning session contains records defining the session in terms of addresses already assigned.

Other major events or alert situations that cause SNMP traps are also audited. Other incoming DHCP requests are also logged, including honored renewal requests and those rejected or dropped.

## 1.4.5 DHCP Options

Novell DNS/DHCP Services supports vendor options, DHCP options, and BOOTP parameters as defined in Internet RFC 2132 with a few exceptions. A table listing the option codes and names is found in [Section A.3, “DHCP Option Descriptions,” on page 188](#).

Novell DNS/DHCP Services also supports new options defined for NetWare over TCP/IP and existing NetWare/IP options.

- ♦ [“DHCP Options for eDirectory” on page 42](#)
- ♦ [“NetWare/IP Options” on page 42](#)

### DHCP Options for eDirectory

Novell has defined three DHCP options for eDirectory. These options eliminate the need to provide this information each time users log in.

Option 85 provides the IP address of one or more eDirectory servers for the client to contact for access to the eDirectory database. Option 86 provides the name of the eDirectory tree the client will be contacting. Option 87 provides the eDirectory context the client should use.

For detailed information about using these options in NetWare 6.5, refer to Internet RFC 2241, *DHCP Options for Novell Directory Services*.

### NetWare/IP Options

Novell uses option codes 62 and 63 in the DHCP packet for NetWare/IP. Option 62 contains the NetWare/IP domain name.

Option 63, the IPX Compatibility option, contains general configuration information such as the primary DSS, the preferred DSS, and the nearest servers. Option 63 also provides additional information in the form of suboptions, listed in the table below:

**Table 1-3** *Suboption Codes and Meaning*

Suboption Codes	Meaning
5	If the value of this field is 1, the client should perform a NetWare Nearest Server Query to find out its nearest NetWare/IP server.
6	Provides a list of up to five addresses of NetWare Domain SAP/RIP servers.
7	Provides a list of up to five addresses of the nearest NetWare/IP servers.
8	Indicates the number of times a NetWare/IP client should attempt to communicate with a given DSS server at startup.
9	Indicates the amount of delay in seconds between each NetWare/IP client attempt to communicate with a given DSS server at start-up.
10	If the value is 1, the NetWare/IP client should support NetWare/IP Version 1.1 compatibility.

Suboption Codes	Meaning
11	Identifies the Primary Domain SAP/RIP Service server (DSS) for this NetWare/IP domain.
12	Identifies the network number of the virtual IPX™ network created by the IPX Compatibility feature.
13	The IPX Stale Time suboption specifies the minimum interval in minutes that must expire before hosts try to refresh their Migration Agent addressing information.
14	Specifies the addresses of one or more Migration Agent servers for the IP nodes to use to communicate with IPX Nodes.

Refer to Internet RFC 2242 and NetWare/IP Domain Name and Information for detailed information about using these NetWare/IP options.

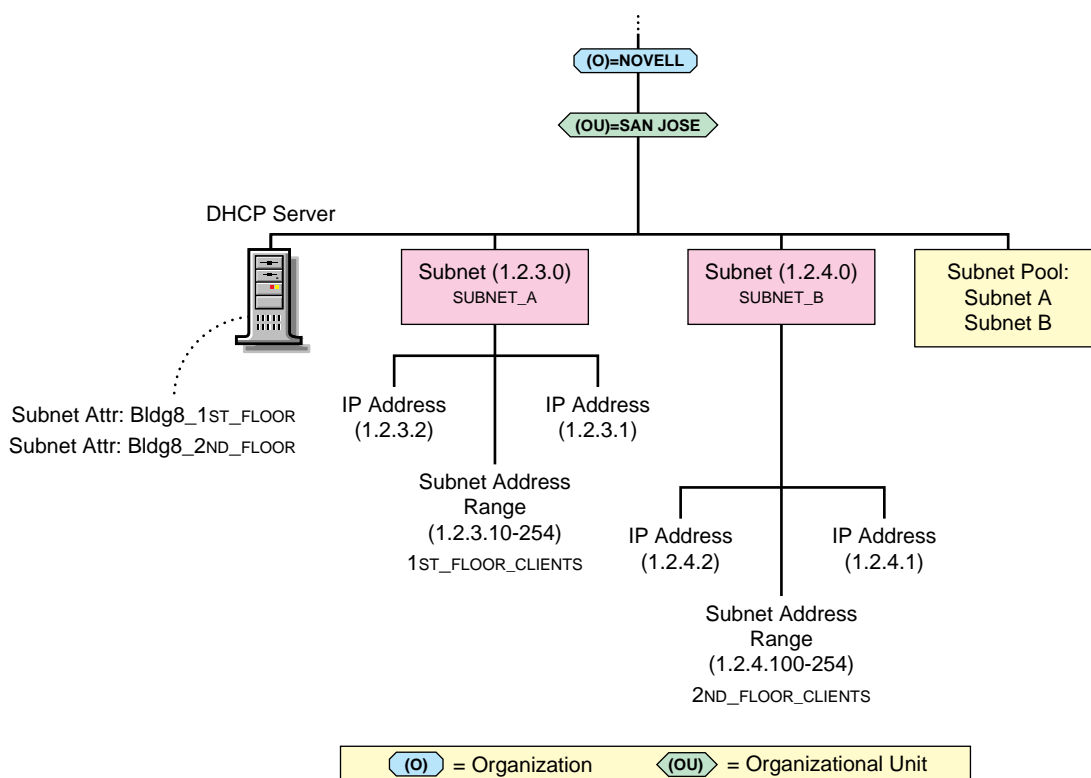
## 1.4.6 eDirectory Objects for DHCP

The following new eDirectory objects support DHCP:

- ♦ “DHCP Server Object” on page 44
- ♦ “Address Range Object” on page 44
- ♦ “Subnet Pool Object” on page 44
- ♦ “Subnet Object” on page 45
- ♦ “IP Address Object” on page 46

Figure 1-13 on page 44 shows a basic configuration of the DHCP objects. This structure might be used for a small to medium-size network.

**Figure 1-13** eDirectory Objects for DHCP



## DHCP Server Object

The DHCP server object (or service object) is created by extending the NetWare Core Protocol (NCP) server object. During the server object creation, the DHCP server reference is set in the NCP server.

The DHCP server object represents the DHCP server and contains a multivalued attribute listing the subnet ranges the DHCP server is servicing. The DHCP server also contains all server-specific configuration and policy information. A DHCP server object can be contained in an Organization (O), Organizational Unit (OU), Country (C), or Locality (L).

## Address Range Object

The Address Range object is primarily used to denote a range of addresses to create a pool of addresses for dynamic address assignment or to identify a range of addresses to be excluded from address assignment. Optionally, the Address Range object stores the start of a hostname that can be assigned to clients when addresses are assigned.

You can use multiple Address Range objects under a Subnet object. You can also specify different range types, such as a range for dynamic address assignment, a range for BOOTP clients, or a range to be excluded from the subnet.

## Subnet Pool Object

The Subnet Pool object provides support for multiple subnets through a DHCP or BOOTP forwarder by identifying a pool of subnets for remote LAN address assignments. A Subnet Pool object can be contained in an Organization (O), Organizational Unit (OU), Country (C), or Locality (L).

DHCP servers are not required to be on the local subnet to which they assign addresses. If you want, they can be deployed centrally to service remote subnets. However, the initial DHCP/BOOTP discover requests are not sent to a DHCP server unless a DHCP/BOOTP forwarder that is on the same computer as the client has been configured to forward the addresses.

The Subnet Pool object contains a list of subnet object references and comments.

## Subnet Object

The Subnet object represents a subnet and is the most fundamental DHCP object. The Subnet object can be contained in an Organization (O), an Organizational Unit (OU), a Country (C), or a Locality (L). The Subnet object acts as a container object for the IP Address and Address Range objects. A Subnet object's specific DHCP options and configuration parameters apply to the entire subnet and override the global options.

### Using the Subnet Object to Manage IP Addresses

The Lease Time attribute of the Subnet object enables a dynamic DHCP client to specify a lease time for the entire subnet. Lease expiration time can be modified for each manual IP address allocation.

An IP address can be returned to a DHCP server for one of the following reasons:

- ♦ The address is explicitly released by a DHCP client.
- ♦ The address is implicitly released because the lease has expired.
- ♦ An assigned lease is canceled.

If a DHCP client requests an IP address on the same subnet again before the previously assigned address expires, the same address is provided. If the IP address assignment is for a different subnet but the client already has a valid IP address entry in the DHCP server database, three possible actions can occur, depending on the IP Address Assignment Policy attribute of the DHCP server. The three actions are listed in the table below.

**Table 1-4** IP Assignment Policy and the appropriate DHCP Server Action

IP Assignment Policy	DHCP Server Action
Delete Duplicate	If the client moves to another subnet supported by the same DHCP server, delete any previous IP address assigned to the client, release the original address back to the pool, and assign a new address.
Allow Duplicate	If the client moves to another subnet, assign the new address and leave the old address unchanged in the database.
No Duplicate	If the client moves to another subnet and the old address is still valid, do not assign a new address.

The address deletion might delete a permanent IP object that is dynamically or manually assigned. Therefore, a client with a Delete Duplicate policy can have a walking manual IP object, but it cannot walk out of the service scope of a single DHCP server. In order for a DHCP server to assign an address to a walking manual IP object, the address assignment must be from a DHCP server's reserved Subnet Address Range with the Range Type set to Dynamic DHCP, Dynamic BOOTP and DHCP, or Dynamic DHCP with Automatic Hostname Generation.

The `dhcprvr.nlm` software supports local address assignments that obtain IP addresses from multiple local subnets. For example, a DHCP server might have multiple IP addresses bound to one of its network interface cards. Each address is a server address on a separate subnet. No special configuration of the eDirectory database is required.

The `dhcprvr.nlm` software also supports remote address assignments that obtain IP addresses from multiple remote subnets. This feature requires all such subnets to be identified with a Subnet Pool object.

## IP Address Object

The IP Address object represents a single IP address. The IP Address object must include an address number and an assignment type. The address can be assigned manually, automatically, or dynamically, or it can be excluded from DHCP address assignment.

You can configure IP Address objects that are manually assigned or excluded from assignment. For dynamically or automatically assigned client addresses, DHCP creates an IP Address object under the subnet where the address is assigned.

An IP address can be assigned to a client based on the client's MAC address. These IP Address objects can also receive specific DHCP options.

When configuring an individual IP Address object, you can provide specific options that override global options or those set at the subnet level. When you create or modify an IP Address object manually, you can also create the necessary DNS resource records.

# 1.5 DNS/DHCP Management Utility and Management Console

This section provides information about the iManager utility and the Management Console.

- ♦ [“Management Utility” on page 46](#)
- ♦ [“Management Console” on page 49](#)

eDirectory is used as a database to store the administered IP address and name service objects.

The Locator object is created at the time of the NetWare 6.5 installation, if you choose the DNS/DHCP option. The Locator object serves as the catalog for most of the DNS and DHCP objects; therefore, the iManager utility or the Management Console is not required to search or scan the entire eDirectory tree to collect all the DNS and DHCP objects for initial tree display.

The creator of the Locator object should grant Read and Write rights to this object to network administrators. They use the iManager utility or the Management Console to create, update, or delete any DNS or DHCP objects. This allows the contents of the Locator object to be updated when necessary.

## 1.5.1 Management Utility

The iManager utility can be used to configure and manage eDirectory-based DNS, and DHCP can run on any browser workstation and does not require the Novell Client or any installed component as a prerequisite. It operates within the common iManager framework and is thus tightly integrated with NetWare 6.5.

For more information, see:

- ♦ “Management Utility Interface” on page 47
- ♦ “Taskbar” on page 47
- ♦ “Managing Roles and Tasks” on page 48

## Management Utility Interface

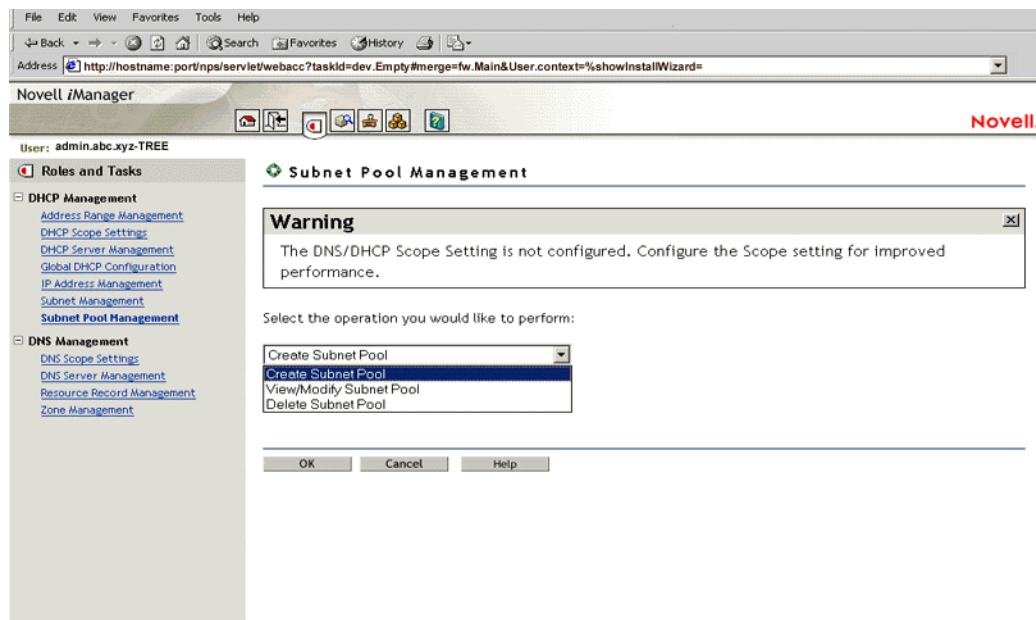
iManager manages one eDirectory tree at a time.

When iManager is started in the browser, the first screen you see is the login screen. You are prompted to provide your username, password, eDirectory context, and the eDirectory tree whose objects you want to manage.

Administration authentication in iManager is based on the common authentication mechanism.

To manage objects in a different eDirectory tree, you must log in to the utility again, specifying the eDirectory tree you want to access. Your login identity is displayed at the top of the screen.

**Figure 1-14** The DNS/DHCP iManager Interface



The main screen has three parts: a taskbar at the top of the screen that displays icons for top-level management functions; a left panel that displays roles, tasks, and other administrative functions; and a main panel that allows you to manage role-based and administrative tasks. For more information on the taskbar, see “Taskbar” on page 47. For more information on roles and tasks, see “Managing Roles and Tasks” on page 48.

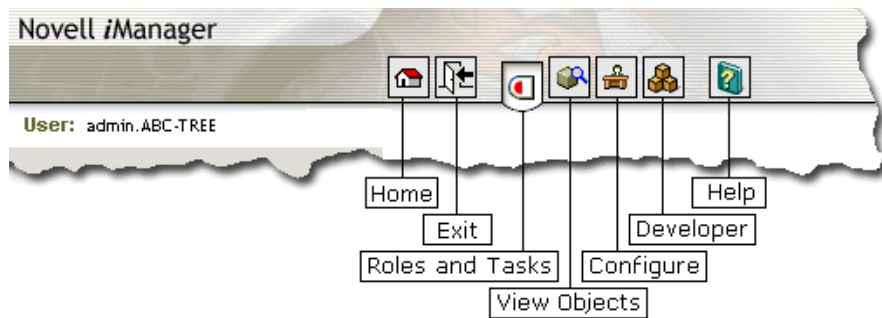
## Taskbar

The iManager utility shares a common taskbar with other NetWare 6.5 products that use the Novell iManager. The taskbar displays the following icons:

- ♦ Home: Takes you to the home page of the utility.

- ♦ Exit: Allows you to logout of the utility.
- ♦ Roles and Tasks: Displays the roles and tasks on the left panel.
- ♦ Administration: Enables you to carry out role installation and role management.
- ♦ Help: Launches global help for the utility.

**Figure 1-15** The eDirectory Management Framework



If you position the cursor over the icon, the icon's name appears on the taskbar.

## Managing Roles and Tasks

The DNS and DHCP services have been logically organized into roles and tasks in a way that is intuitive to network administrators. Each role consists of a set of tasks arranged in a manner that is hierarchical, top-down, and easy to administer.

To view the roles, click the *Roles and Tasks* icon on the taskbar.

At the top level, there are two roles that you can install and manage: DNS and DHCP. The tasks under each of these roles are logically arranged in a top-down manner with the option to configure DNS or DHCP scope settings at the head of each role. A role, depending on its current state, is preceded by a plus or a minus sign. An administrator can expand a role such as DNS to see the tasks it contains or collapse it for a more concise view. This can be done by clicking the plus/minus sign next to the role.

The organization of roles and tasks follows the containership rules of object creation and manipulation in DNS and DHCP. For example, if you expand the DNS role on the left pane, the logical tasks this role contains appear under it. At the top is the task DNS/DHCP Scope Settings. This is followed by DNS Server Management, which allows you to specify the location of the Locator object and the administrative scope for the session. At the next level is Zone Management, which manages zones handled by DNS servers. Finally, Resource Record Management allows you to manage resource records contained within a zone.

Each task is associated with a set of operations that appear in a drop-down menu on the main panel when you click on the task.

For example, to create a new DNS zone, click *DNS > Zone Management*. This launches the Zone Management window in the main panel of the screen. Select *Create Zone* from the drop-down menu and click *OK* to open the Create New Zone window, where you can proceed with the task of creating a new zone.

You can select one object, more than one object, or all objects for deletion with the multi-select delete feature.



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**IMPORTANT:** For improved performance, configure the DNS/DHCP scope settings before you start using the iManager utility.

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## 1.5.2 Management Console

The Management Console can be used to configure and manage eDirectory-based DNS and DHCP. It is an independent executable Java application. It can be launched through Windows\* by using the Programs menu. (Click *Start > Programs > DNS-DHCP Management Console > DNSDHCP*.) It can also be launched by double-clicking the DNSDHCP shortcut icon created on the desktop or through the NetWare Administrator utility.

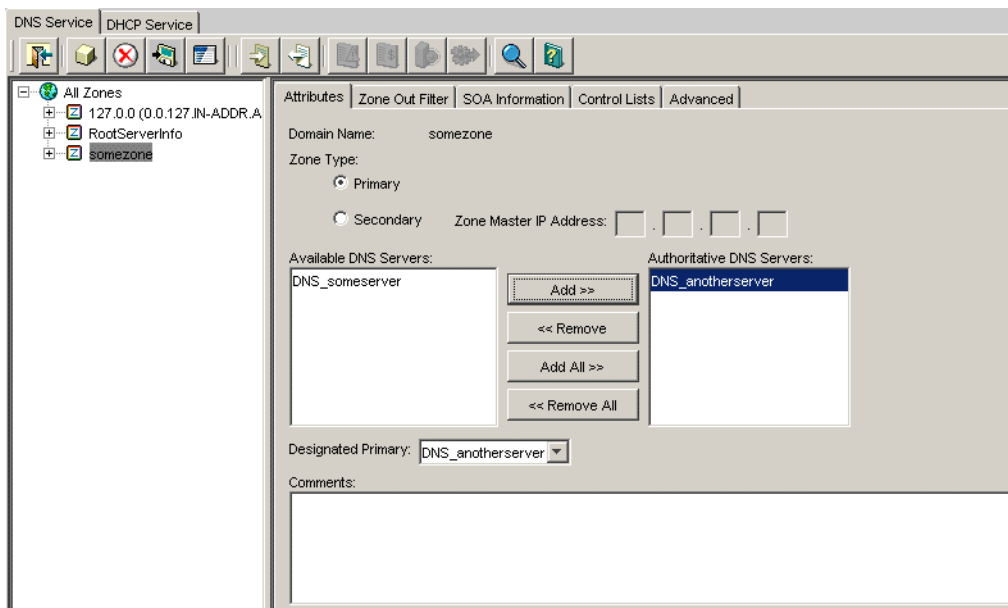
If the Management Console is launched through the NetWare Administrator utility, the eDirectory tree you are browsing is set as the target eDirectory tree. When the Management Console is launched, it prompts you to select a tree as the target eDirectory context.

In this release, the administrator must log in to the desired eDirectory tree before launching the Management Console. To manage objects in a different eDirectory tree, the administrator must exit the utility, change the context to the other eDirectory tree, and launch the utility again. The current eDirectory tree name is displayed in the utility's caption bar.

The Management Console provides configuration and management for the two major functions of the Management Console: DHCP service management and name service management. Each application is self-contained and can provide the functions necessary to conduct DHCP or name management.

The Management Console manages one tree at a time. [Figure 1-16](#) shows the main user interface window for DHCP Services.

**Figure 1-16** DNS/DHCP Java-based Management Console User Interface



For more information, see:

- ♦ [“DNS Service and DHCP Service Tab Pages”](#) on page 50

- ♦ “Toolbar” on page 51
- ♦ “Status Bar” on page 52
- ♦ “Server Status” on page 52
- ♦ “Object Creation Rules” on page 53

## DNS Service and DHCP Service Tab Pages

There are two main tab pages within the Management Console: DNS Service and DHCP Service. There are three panes within each tab page. The left pane displays the managed DNS or DHCP objects in tree form. The right pane displays the detailed information about the highlighted object in the left or bottom pane. The bottom pane lists either the DNS or DHCP servers configured to provide necessary services.

Resources are organized according to the object hierarchy and the implicit ordering of objects. For example, all IP addresses displayed within the left pane of the DHCP Service page are in ascending numeric order. In the DNS Services pane, all zones or resource records within a zone are listed in alphanumeric order.

All DNS and DHCP objects are created as eDirectory objects and are subject to NetWare Administrator conventions. Therefore, when creating a new object, you should always name the object first in each Create dialog box.

Some objects, such as DHCP server, DNS server, DNS zone, Subnet, and Subnet Pool, can be created in any context. The Create dialog box of these objects has browsing capability in the eDirectory tree, so an administrator with Write or Supervisor rights can select a specific context.

A newly created object's button on the toolbar is context-sensitive in relation to the highlighted item in either service's left tree pane. Your rights to the DNS or DHCP objects are not verified until you perform an update, delete, or create against the target objects.

The DNS and DHCP objects available in the new object dialog's creation list box depend on the selected object in the left tree pane. The following table lists the rules for each container object.

**Table 1-5** *Rules for Container Object*

Selected Object	Objects that can be created
All Zones	DNS Server, Zone
DNS Server	DNS Server, Zone
Zone	DNS Server, Zone, and Resource Record
RRSet	DNS Server, Zone, and Resource Record
Resource Record	DNS Server, Zone, and Resource Record
Our Network	DHCP Server, Subnet, Subnet Pool
DHCP Server	DHCP Server, Subnet, Subnet Pool
Subnet	Subnet Address Range, DHCP Server, IP Address, Subnet, Subnet Pool
Subnet Address Range	DHCP Server, Subnet, Subnet Pool
IP Address	DHCP Server, Subnet, Subnet Pool

Selected Object	Objects that can be created
Subnet Pool	DHCP Server, Subnet, Subnet Pool

After a new DNS or DHCP object has been created, the Management Console grants the objects Read and Write rights to the Locator object.

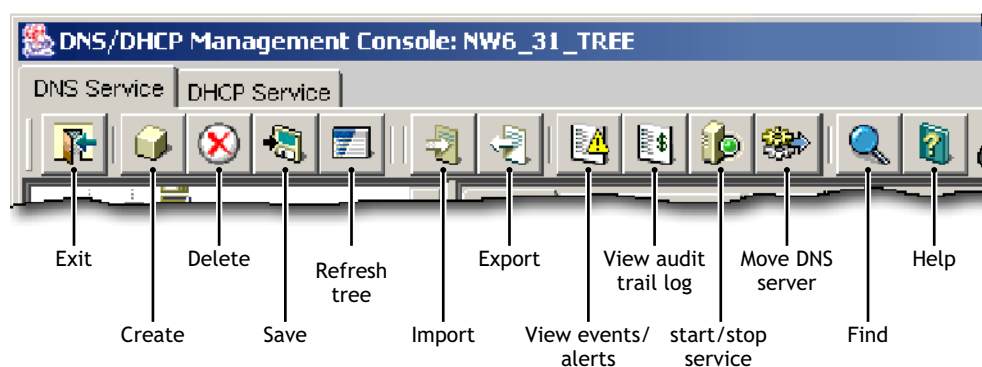
For fast and efficient searching, the distinguished names of newly created zones, DNS servers, subnets, and DHCP servers are added to the corresponding attribute of the Locator object. Renaming or deleting these objects is automatically performed by eDirectory because of the built-in feature for eDirectory distinguished names.

After a new DNS or DHCP object has been created, the Management Console gives you the choice of staying in its current focus or setting the focus on the newly created object. The utility also displays its detailed information page in the right pane. This feature is provided as a convenience to administrators and can be used by selecting the *Define Additional Properties* check box.

## Toolbar





The Management Console offers no menu items. All functions are provided by the toolbar. The functions that are relevant for the item selected in the left tree pane or bottom server pane are highlighted to show their availability.










**Figure 1-17** Toolbar



If you position the cursor over the icon, the icon's name appears. The following table lists when each toolbar button is enabled in relationship to the selected object.

**Table 1-6** Toolbar Buttons and Enabled Situation

Tool Bar	Enabled
Exit 	Always enabled
Create 	When Our Network, Subnet, Subnet Address Range, IP Address, DHCP Server, Subnet Pool, All Zones, Zone, DNS Server, RRSet, or Resource Record is the selected object
Delete 	When Subnet, Subnet Address Range, Subnet Pool, Zone, RRSet, Resource Record, DHCP Server, or DNS Server is selected
Save 	When fields have been changed for updates or changes

Tool Bar	Enabled
Tree Refresh 	Always enabled
Global Preferences 	Enabled for DHCP Service
Import 	When Zone is the selected object for DNS or when Our Network is selected for DHCP
Export 	When Zone is the selected object for DNS or when Our Network is selected for DHCP
Start/Stop 	When DNS Server or DHCP Server is the selected object
View Events Log 	When DNS Server or DHCP Server is the selected object
View Audit Log 	When DNS Server or DHCP Server is the selected object
Move DNS Server 	When a NetWare 6.5 or later DNS Server is the selected object
Help 	Always enabled

## Status Bar

The status bar displays two fields in the bottom pane of the Management Console. The first field shows the current database access interface in progress. The second field displays the current selected object or operation status. **Figure 1-18** shows the status bar and two DNS server icons. The status bar is at the bottom of the figure.

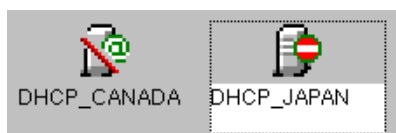
**Figure 1-18** Status Bar



## Server Status

Server icons are displayed in the lower portion of the Management Console. As shown in **Figure 1-19**, the DHCP server represented by the icon on the right is operational, but operations have been suspended. The slash through the icon on the left indicates that the server might not be operational.

**Figure 1-19** DHCP Server Icons



**Figure 1-20** shows icons representing two DNS servers. Both servers are operational and each can communicate with the Management Console, but the operation of the server on the right, DNS\_JAPAN, has been suspended.

**Figure 1-20** DNS Server Icons



## Object Creation Rules

These are certain rules that govern the creation and manipulation of objects in the DNS/DHCP object hierarchy:

- ♦ Subnet and Subnet Pool objects can be created under an Organization (O), Organizational Unit (OU), Locality (L), or Country (C) objects. Subnet Address Range and IP Address objects must be created beneath the Subnet container object. However, because of the IP address, the subnet address range and IP Address objects can be contained within a subnet address range's address block. The Subnet Address Range and IP Address objects are displayed as subordinate objects below the Subnet Address Range object in the left tree pane to show the logical relationship. The DNS Zone object, DNS server object, and DHCP server object can be created in the context of an Organization (O), Organizational Unit (OU), Locality (L), or Country (C).
- ♦ All DNS and DHCP objects are created as eDirectory objects and are subject to NetWare Administrator conventions.
- ♦ Some objects such as DHCP server, DNS server, DNS zone, subnet, and subnet pool can be created in any context. After a new DNS or DHCP object has been created, the iManager utility grants the Read and Write rights to the Locator object. For fast and efficient search operations, the distinguished names of the newly created zones, DNS servers, subnets, and DHCP servers are added to the corresponding attribute of the Locator object. Renaming or deleting these objects is automatically performed by eDirectory because of the built-in feature for eDirectory distinguished names.



# Planning Your DNS/DHCP Implementation

# 2

This section provides information to plan and design your implementation of DNS and DHCP in order to maximize capabilities of the Novell® DNS/DHCP Services software.

- ♦ [Section 2.1, “Resource Requirements,” on page 55](#)
- ♦ [Section 2.2, “eDirectory Considerations,” on page 55](#)
- ♦ [Section 2.3, “Planning a DNS Strategy,” on page 56](#)
- ♦ [Section 2.4, “Planning a DHCP Strategy,” on page 59](#)

## 2.1 Resource Requirements

The CPU requirements for NetWare® 6.5 DNS server vary depending on whether you are serving a few static zones without caching or serving an enterprise-type DNS.

The memory of the server must be large enough to accommodate the cache and zones loaded from disk. NetWare 6.5 requires at least 512 MB RAM. The max-cache-size option can be used to limit the amount of memory used by the cache, at the expense of reducing cache hit rates and creating more DNS traffic. It is still a good practice to have enough memory to load all zones and cache data into the memory. However, the best way to determine this for a given installation is to watch the name server in operation. After a few weeks, the server process should reach a relatively stable size where entries are expiring from the cache as fast as they are being inserted. Ideally, the resource limits should be set higher than this stable size.

## 2.2 eDirectory Considerations

Consider the following Novell eDirectory™ issues to maintain optimal performance when providing DNS and DHCP services on your NetWare network:

- ♦ Where to locate the DNS/DHCP Group and Locator objects
- ♦ Where to locate DNS and DHCP servers
- ♦ What replication strategy to employ
- ♦ How to provide fault tolerance

We recommend the following:

- ♦ Place the DNS/DHCP Group, the DNS/DHCP Locator, and the RootServerInfo Zone objects in a separate partition that is accessible from and replicated to all points of the network where NetWare 6.5 DNS/DHCP servers are located. This is because all NetWare 6.5 DNS/DHCP servers, iManager, and Management Console require access to these objects.
- ♦ Plan to also create an Organizational Unit (OU) container object near the top of your eDirectory tree. The location of this container object should be easily and widely accessible. Locate the DNS/DHCP Group and Locator objects and the RootServerInfo Zone object under the container object.

- ♦ Plan to also create an Administrator Group object under the container object near the top of the eDirectory tree. An administrator group should have Read and Write rights to all DNS/DHCP Locator object attributes except the global data and options fields. Members of this group can use the iManager utility or the Management Console to create and modify DNS and DHCP objects.

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**IMPORTANT:** A network administrator can access only his or her administrative domain, which might not include the DNS/DHCP Locator object. By creating an administrative group, you enable administrators who are group members to use the iManager utility or Management Console.

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- ♦ Plan to locate your DNS and DHCP servers at locations where they are geographically close to the hosts that require their services. Plan to have one DHCP server in each partition of your network to minimize any WAN communications problems caused by normal load, configuration changes, or replication.
- ♦ Replicate the partition containing the DNS/DHCP Group and Locator objects to all parts of the network that use DNS/DHCP services to ensure access in the event of system unavailability or hardware problems.

When planning your DNS replication strategy, consider that replication is employed for load balancing when you provide multiple name servers within the DNS zone

Well-planned replication is the best way to provide fault tolerance for DNS/DHCP services.

## 2.3 Planning a DNS Strategy

Plan to install and operate a primary name server and at least one secondary name server. Secondary name servers provide load balancing, fault tolerance, and robustness to your DNS implementation.

When you configure your zone, the primary name server contains the most up-to-date information about the zone and all the hosts within it.

A secondary name server receives its zone data from the primary name server. When it starts and at periodic intervals thereafter, the secondary name server queries the primary name server to determine whether the information it contains has been changed. If the zone information in the secondary name server is older than the zone information in the primary name server, a zone transfer occurs and the secondary name server receives the zone information from the primary name server.

For more information, see the following:

- ♦ [“Planning Zones” on page 56](#)
- ♦ [“Using the Novell DNS Server as a Primary Name Server” on page 57](#)
- ♦ [“Using the Novell DNS Server as a Secondary Name Server” on page 57](#)
- ♦ [“Configuring a DNS Server to Forward Requests” on page 57](#)
- ♦ [“Setting Up the IN-ADDR.ARPA Zone” on page 58](#)
- ♦ [“Registering Your DNS Server with Root Servers” on page 58](#)

### 2.3.1 Planning Zones

If you are running a primary name server and providing DNS service for a zone, the size or geography of your network might require that you create subzones within the zone. Although there is no limitation on the size of a zone when you configure DNS, we recommend that you do not



create very large zones. Novell DNS server can support very large zones, but the higher the number of resource records in a zone, the greater the impact on DNS query resolving for that zone. Managing small zones is simpler and more efficient. You can divide your zones into smaller subzones based on the geographic locations or organizational structures.

Keep the zone data as a separate partition and replicate the partition to all places on your network where you have a name server for the zone. Doing this enables independent replication of the zone data and also provides a degree of fault tolerance in case of server down time.

### **2.3.2 Using the Novell DNS Server as a Primary Name Server**

You must install the Novell DNS server as a primary name server to have authoritative control over your zone and to take advantage of Dynamic DNS (DDNS) updates of DNS by DHCP.

When operating the Novell DNS server as a primary name server, you use the iManager utility or the Management Console to make configuration changes. When you operate a primary name server, the zone data can receive dynamic updates from DHCP servers. Non-Novell secondary name servers can obtain data from the Novell primary name server.

### **2.3.3 Using the Novell DNS Server as a Secondary Name Server**

If you plan to operate secondary DNS servers that use Novell DNS/DHCP Services software and that connect to a non-Novell master name server, one Novell secondary name server must be specified as the Designated Secondary or Zone In server. The Designated Secondary server receives zone transfer information from the non-Novell master server and provides updates to eDirectory. Other Novell secondary name servers can then access the information within eDirectory.

You might operate a Novell secondary name server that connects to a non-Novell master name server for the following reasons:

- ♦ You are using a master DNS server and do not want to designate it as a primary name server because of the responsibility it entails.
- ♦ This approach is easy to implement in your existing DNS model.
- ♦ You want to install more secondary name servers to provide better load balancing.
- ♦ You want to gradually make the transition to operating a primary name server.

### **2.3.4 Configuring a DNS Server to Forward Requests**

If a name server cannot answer a query, it must query a remote server. You can configure primary or secondary name servers to act as forwarders. When you designate a server to be a forwarder, all off-site queries are first sent to the forwarder.

Forwarders that handle the off-site queries develop a robust cache of information. The forwarder can usually answer any given query with information from its cache, eliminating the need to make an outside query to a remote server.

When you decide to make a server a forwarder, configure the other servers in your zone to direct their queries through the forwarder. When a forwarder receives a query, it checks its cache for the information. If the information is unavailable, the forwarder issues a query to the root server.

For more information, see:

- ♦ “Forwarding Requests” on page 58
- ♦ “Restricting Forwarding (No-Forwarding)” on page 58

## Forwarding Requests

When you configure your name servers, you must provide information about where to forward requests that the servers cannot answer.

Even if you are using forwarders, a name server that does not receive a timely response from its forwarder eventually attempts to query a root server directly.

## Restricting Forwarding (No-Forwarding)

If you have a primary name server with subdomains below it, and the primary name server is not aware of the subdomains, the name server sends queries to external name servers.

You can configure your primary name server not to forward queries for specified internal subdomains to external name servers. Instead, the primary name server sends a negative response to any queries for the internal subdomains.

If you want to restrict some external domains, you can use No-Forwarding. You can configure your servers not to forward queries to the specified external domains and the server sends a negative response to queries for those external domain.

## 2.3.5 Setting Up the Forward Zone Type

If the name server is configured to serve forward zones, all queries for these zones are forwarded to the IP address configured in the Forward list of the zone. For example, if example.com is configured as a forward zone and is configured to forward queries to 10.10.10.3, all queries for example.com are forwarded to 10.10.10.3.

## 2.3.6 Setting Up the IN-ADDR.ARPA Zone

Just as the data in your name server provides mapping of names to Internet addresses, the IN-ADDR.ARPA zone provides mapping of addresses to names. However, in the structure of the IN-ADDR.ARPA zone, the IP address appears in reverse. For example, an IP address of 100.20.30.4 in the san-jose.novell.com domain would be *4.30.20.100.in-addr.arpa* in the IN-ADDR.ARPA subdomain.

## 2.3.7 Registering Your DNS Server with Root Servers

If you plan to operate a primary DNS name server, you must register your name server with your parent domain. Not all name servers need to be registered, but we recommend registering one-third to one-half of your name servers (up to a maximum of 10) with the parent domain. These servers are queried by servers outside your domain. The remaining name servers are queried only by hosts within your domain that are configured to query them.

If you provide DNS service for other domains and provide an authoritative name server for those domains, you must also register those domains.

To register a domain (and subdomain), you must contact the network administrators of the parent domain (com, for example) and the in-addr.arpa domain. Provide the administrators with the name of the domain name server and the name of the domain and any subdomains for which it is authoritative. If you are setting up a new domain, you also need to provide the IP address of any server you want to register.

InterNIC is the organization that registers domain names for the ROOT, com, org, net, edu, and gov domains. To obtain the form for domain registration from InterNIC, contact them at <http://rs.internic.net>. You can also obtain the form for in-addr.arpa domain registration from the same location.

Detailed information about the registration process is available from the InterNIC Web site. You can also use the InterNIC Web site to research domain names to ensure that the name you want is not already registered and to obtain additional information and help.

## 2.4 Planning a DHCP Strategy

This section provides information to help you plan your DHCP strategy. When planning your implementation of DHCP, consider the following:

- ♦ Your existing network topology (how you set up your routers and subnets) provides a basic configuration for the distribution of DHCP resources such as Subnet objects, Subnet Address Range objects, and IP Address objects.
- ♦ Your existing eDirectory implementation should be incorporated into your planning. Place the Locator object near the top of your eDirectory tree where it can be easily accessed by all servers.
- ♦ The length of time you set for your leases affects traffic on the network.

For more information, see the following:

- ♦ “Network Topology” on page 59
- ♦ “eDirectory Implementation” on page 60
- ♦ “Lease Considerations” on page 61
- ♦ “IP Address Availability” on page 63
- ♦ “Hostnames” on page 64

### 2.4.1 Network Topology

Your existing network topology provides a basic configuration for the distribution of DHCP resources. There are two paths, however, depending on whether you are migrating from an existing DHCP solution or you are installing and configuring DHCP for the first time. See the following sections:

- ♦ “Migrating from Another DHCP Solution” on page 60
- ♦ “Initiating the DHCP Service” on page 60

## **Migrating from Another DHCP Solution**

You can import your existing Novell DHCP 2.0 database or BOOTP-based configuration files by using the iManager utility or the Management Console. The import function enables you to specify the context into which you import the data.

## **Initiating the DHCP Service**

If you are planning to use DHCP for the first time, you must gather a significant amount of information. You need to make a list of all hosts to be served by the DHCP server. You must include all devices that use network addresses in every segment of your network. You must also compile lists of IP address assignments.

Organize your lists of hosts and IP addresses by geographic location. For example, if your network is spread over a WAN, make a list for each location to help you organize the distribution of DHCP resources.

You must have a list of all permanently assigned network addresses. You might also want to make a list of devices that are to be denied IP addresses and those hosts that are to receive strict limitations on leases.

After you gather the necessary information, you need to create the necessary objects to represent this information. This is done by creating subnet address ranges for contiguous network addresses and other more specific information. You will probably have a separate subnet address range for each LAN segment of your network. You will also create objects of subnets and DHCP servers. Although there is no limitation on the size or number of subnets when you configure DHCP, we recommend that the IP address in each subnet is not more than 2048. A Novell DHCP server can support several large subnets in a DHCP configuration. However, the higher the number of IP addresses, the greater the impact on DHCP run-time performance.

## **2.4.2 eDirectory Implementation**

Plan to create an Organizational Unit (OU), Country (C), or Locality (L) container object near the top of your eDirectory tree. Plan to locate the DNS/DHCP Group and Locator objects under the container object.

The DNS/DHCP Locator object must be easily accessible to all DHCP servers on the network. Plan to have multiple routes for DHCP servers to access the DNS/DHCP Group object.

Create Subnet objects to represent each LAN segment. Then create one or more Subnet Address Range objects to represent all of your contiguous strings of IP addresses.

Place the NetWare Core Protocol™ (NCPTM) servers that will provide DHCP service near the data to be updated and close to a writable partition. For fast access and availability, a DHCP server should be on the same LAN as or geographically close to the writable partitions the DHCP server uses.

When a DHCP server makes or modifies address assignments, the database is updated. The partition where this database is stored should have at least two writable replicas. Having only one replica might be unsafe because of fault tolerance considerations, but three might be too costly in terms of eDirectory performance.

## 2.4.3 Lease Considerations

In deciding how long to set your client leases, consider the following factors:

- ♦ Your site's and clients' usage patterns
- ♦ Your network's goals
- ♦ Availability of servers
- ♦ Availability of network (IP) addresses

Another important consideration is that clients attempt to renew their leases half way through the lease duration. The longer the lease, the longer it takes for client configuration changes to be registered with the DHCP server. It also takes longer for the server to realize that a previously assigned address is no longer in use.

Another issue to consider concerns outages and access to the DHCP server. If a client loses access to its DHCP server before renewing its lease, it must stop using the network after the lease expires. If a client is turned on and connected to the network at the time of the outage, however, the lease does not expire.

The longest lease provided by a DHCP server determines the length of time you might need to wait before configuration changes can be propagated within a network. This length of time could mean manually restarting every client or waiting the amount of time required for all leases to be renewed before the changes take effect. If your site policy is to turn off workstation power at the end of the day, clients could acquire configuration changes at least once per day.

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**NOTE:** All lease considerations refer to DHCP clients or devices only. For clients or devices that use BOOTP, you must bring down the device and restart it to acquire any new configuration changes.

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For more information, see:

- ♦ [“Lease Length” on page 61](#)
- ♦ [“Controlling Client Access to Leases” on page 63](#)

### Lease Length

When considering the length of leases, ask these questions:

- ♦ Will the default of three days work well in your environment?

The default of three days provides a good balance between a long-lease and a short-lease duration.

- ♦ Do you have more clients than IP addresses?

If you have more clients than IP addresses, keep leases short to allow access to more users. A short lease could be two to four hours, or even a matter of days.

If your site's usage pattern shows that all clients request an address every day and you have half as many addresses as users, lease times in hours or minutes would provide access to more users.

- ♦ Do you provide support for remote access?

If your site has mobile users or provides remote access to clients, plan to provide service for these clients on a specific subnet. Providing support, including special options the clients might require, makes network administration of the clients easier.

- ♦ Do you support a minimum lease time?

If your site's usage pattern indicates that your users typically use an address for only one or two hours, that should be your minimum lease time.

- ♦ How many clients do you plan to support?

Shorter leases support more clients, but shorter leases also increase the load on the DHCP server and network bandwidth. A lease of two hours is long enough to serve most users, and the network load should be negligible. A lease of one hour or less might increase network load to a point that requires attention.

- ♦ How fast are your communications connections between your clients and the DHCP server?

By locating a DHCP server in close proximity to its users, the network load should be negligible over LAN connections. If a DHCP server must communicate over WAN links to provide service to clients, slowdowns and time-outs might occur.

- ♦ How long does your typical server outage last?

If your typical server outage lasts two hours, a lease of four hours would avoid loss of lease to clients that were active at the time of the server outage.

We recommend setting your lease times to twice the length of a typical server outage.

The same recommendation applies to communications line outages. If a communications line is down long enough that leases expire, you might see a significant network load when the service is restored.

- ♦ How long can your clients operate without access to the DHCP server?

If you have users who require a lease for important job functions, consider lease times for them that are twice the length of a maximum server outage. For example, if your DHCP server went down on Friday evening and required the entire workday Monday to be restored, that would be an outage of three days. In this case, a six-day lease covers that situation.

- ♦ Do you have users who advertise their IP addresses for services they render?

If you have users setting up Web pages or archiving data for others to access, they want addresses that do not change. You might want to assign permanent addresses for these users instead of assigning long lease times.

The relevant length of time is the maximum amount of time you want to allow a client to keep an address, even if the host computer is turned off. For example, if an employee takes a four-week vacation and you want the employee to keep his or her address, a lease of eight weeks or longer is required.

The following table lists examples of lease times and the reasons these times were chosen.

**Table 2-1** *Examples of Lease Times and Reasons*

Lease Time	Reason
15 minutes	Keeps the maximum number of addresses free when there are more users than available addresses, but results in significant traffic and frequent updates to eDirectory

Lease Time	Reason
6 hours	Covers a DHCP server outage of 6 hours
12 hours	Ensures that retraction of an address assignment takes less than one day
3 days	Used by many sites simply because of software defaults
6 days	Allows for a weekend server outage without losing leases
4 months	Enables students to keep their address over a summer vacation, for example

## Controlling Client Access to Leases

There is usually a trade-off when you attempt to control specific client access to leases. Typically, you would manually configure each client and dedicate an IP address permanently to each client. However, the Novell DHCP server provides control based on the client's hardware address.

## 2.4.4 IP Address Availability

This section describes how to identify your IP addresses, how to subnet your addresses, what to do with addresses assigned by other sources, and how to restrict address assignments to clients.

- ♦ [“Identifying Your Addresses” on page 63](#)
- ♦ [“Subnetting Your Addresses” on page 63](#)
- ♦ [“Assigning Addresses Manually” on page 63](#)
- ♦ [“Representing Addresses in eDirectory” on page 64](#)
- ♦ [“Restricting Address Assignment to Clients” on page 64](#)

## Identifying Your Addresses

If you have been using a previous version of Novell DHCP, another vendor's product, or another method of tracking your IP address information, information about your addresses should be close at hand. To prevent communication problems, we recommend verifying the accuracy of your IP address records by performing a site audit.

If you are unsure of the range of your IP addresses, contact your Internet Service Provider (ISP) or check other records you have on file.

## Subnetting Your Addresses

One of the more difficult configuration tasks is configuring your routers if you have multiple subnets. Each router might require one or more subnets, depending on your router configuration. Create a Subnet object for each LAN segment that requires dynamic IP address assignment.

## Assigning Addresses Manually

Your site might have devices, such as servers and printers, that have addresses assigned by means other than DHCP. Assign addresses to these devices manually.

You must also provide these devices with any specific configuration information they might require. If you want to provide configuration by using DHCP, the device must be capable of acting as a DHCP client. You can assign a static address to a device and still provide configuration information by using DHCP.

To ensure that the assigned addresses are not used by DHCP, use the iManager utility or the Management Console to exclude the addresses from assignment. You can use the utility to exclude single addresses or entire ranges from address assignment.

### **Representing Addresses in eDirectory**

IP addresses are represented by IP Address objects under Subnet container objects. Novell DNS/DHCP Services stores the address information and attributes of these objects, such as hostnames, hardware addresses, the time when an address lease will expire, and fully qualified domain names (FQDNs), in eDirectory. You can view this information by using the iManager utility or the Management Console.

### **Restricting Address Assignment to Clients**

By using static address assignment, you can ensure that a device capable of acting as a BOOTP or DHCP client receives the same address from the DHCP server each time it is started. You can also explicitly exclude an address assignment to a device based on the device's hardware address. This is done by setting DHCP Global Preferences. To invoke the DHCP Global Preferences window, click *DHCP Global Configuration > DHCP Global Preferences*.

## **2.4.5 Hostnames**

Every host on your network that uses the Internet or that can be reached from the Internet should have a name. Each resource record has a hostname field.

The following simple rules are used for hostnames to conform to accepted Internet standards:

- ♦ Hostnames are called labels and can have alphabetic and numeric characters.
- ♦ A hyphen is allowed if it separates two character strings.
- ♦ Labels might not be all numbers, but they can have a leading digit.
- ♦ Labels must begin and end only with a letter or digit.



# Installing DNS/DHCP Services

# 3

This section explains how to install the DNS/DHCP Services, the iManager utility, and the Management Console on NetWare® 6.5.

- ♦ [Section 3.1, “Installation,” on page 65](#)
- ♦ [Section 3.2, “Management Utilities,” on page 66](#)
- ♦ [Section 3.3, “Upgrading,” on page 70](#)
- ♦ [Section 3.4, “Validating the DNS/DHCP Services Installation,” on page 70](#)
- ♦ [Section 3.5, “Repair Utility,” on page 70](#)
- ♦ [Section 3.6, “Uninstallation,” on page 71](#)

## 3.1 Installation

Pattern deployment is a new concept introduced for installing services. Generally, when you install a certain service, you need a group of components or products. For a service to function properly, all the dependent products must be installed. Pattern deployment provides patterns for different services. Selecting a pattern automatically selects and installs its dependencies.

You can install the DNS/DHCP services by using either the Customized NetWare pattern or the DNS/DHCP Server pattern.

To install DNS/DHCP by using the Customized NetWare pattern:

- 1 On the Choose a Pattern page, select *Customized NetWare* and click *Next*.
- 2 Select *DNS/DHCP* from the Components page.
- 3 (Conditional) If you want to use the iManager utility for managing DNS/DHCP services on the NetWare server, select *iManager 2.5*, *Apache2 Web Server*, and *Tomcat4*.

To install DNS/DHCP by using the DNS/DHCP Server pattern:

- 1 On the Choose a Pattern page, select the *DNS/DHCP Server pattern*.

The patterns are listed along with the customized NetWare Server/Basic NetWare File Server.

The DNS/DHCP services pattern installs Novell® iManager 2.5, Apache2 Web Server, and the Tomcat 4 Servlet container along with the DNS/DHCP services.

When you install DNS/DHCP services for the first time in a tree, you are prompted to enter the contexts for the Group, Locator, and RootSrvrInfo zone objects. These objects will be created in the user-specified contexts. We recommend that these objects be placed high up in the Novell eDirectory™ tree to simplify the management of Novell DNS/DHCP Services. For more information, see [Chapter 2, “Planning Your DNS/DHCP Implementation,” on page 55](#).

You are not prompted for this information for subsequent installations of DNS/DHCP services on other servers in the same tree. You should select the DNS/DHCP services while installing on all servers where you want to run DNS or DHCP.

DNS/DHCP installation adds commented load statements for DNS (load `named.nlm`) and DHCP (load `dhcpcsrvr.nlm`) services to the `autoexec.ncf` file. The load statements are commented because the DNS and DHCP Server objects should be created before DNS and DHCP services can be loaded. Load statements can be uncommented after creating the DNS and DHCP Server objects. The required command line options can be added to the load statements. For a list of available command line options, refer to [Section 4.7, “NAMED Command Line Options,” on page 108](#) and [Section 5.7, “DHCP SRVR Command Line Options,” on page 144](#).

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**IMPORTANT:** Each eDirectory tree must have only one Group, Locator, and RootSrvrInfo Zone object.

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## 3.2 Management Utilities

Before you use the management utilities, the DNS/DHCP services must be successfully installed as described in [“Installation” on page 66](#).

- ♦ [“DNS/DHCP iManager Utility” on page 66](#)
- ♦ [“DNS/DHCP Java-Based Management Console” on page 68](#)
- ♦ [“eDirectory Rights Required to Manage DNS/DHCP Configuration” on page 69](#)

### 3.2.1 DNS/DHCP iManager Utility

- ♦ [“Prerequisites” on page 66](#)
- ♦ [“Installation” on page 66](#)
- ♦ [“Configuration” on page 66](#)
- ♦ [“Launching the DNS/DHCP iManager Utility” on page 67](#)
- ♦ [“Recommended Settings” on page 67](#)

#### Prerequisites

- ♦ Novell iManager 2.5 must be installed along with Novell DNS/DHCP services on the NetWare server to be managed.
- ♦ Internet Explorer\* 5.5 SP2 or Internet Explorer 6.0 must be installed on the client where you will manage DNS/DHCP services.

#### Installation

The snap-ins for the DNS-DHCP iManager utility are included with iManager 2.5 and are installed as part of the iManager 2.5 installation.

For more information, see the *iManager 2.5 Administration Guide* (<http://www.novell.com/documentation/lg/imanager25/index.html>).

#### Configuration

To install the DNS/DHCP snap-in:


- 1 Click *Configure*  on the iManager toolbar.

- 2 If the RBS collection object is not already created, click *Create Collection*, then specify the name and context of the collection.

A collection is a container object that holds all RBS roles and module objects.


- 3 Click the *Plug-in Setup* and *Install role*.
- 4 Click *Install Plug-in*.
- 5 Select the dnshcp plug-in from the list.
- 6 Provide the container context created in **Step 2**.
- 7 Click *OK*.

To set up roles and tasks:

- 1 Click *Configure*  on the iManager toolbar.
- 2 Click *Role Configuration* to create new roles.
- 3 Click *Task Configuration* to create new tasks.
- 4 After assigning the newly created DNS/DHCP roles to users, add the users as trustee of DNS-DHCP Locator object and assign Write rights to all attributes of the Locator object.

For more information, see the *iManager 2.5 Administration Guide* (<http://www.novell.com/documentation/lg/imanager25/index.html>).

## Launching the DNS/DHCP iManager Utility


- 1 Open Internet Explorer from any machine running Windows.
- 2 Type the following URL in the address bar of the Internet Explorer window:  
`http://xxx.xxx.xxx.xxx:/nps/iManager.html`  
where `xxx.xxx.xxx.xxx` is the IP address of the NetWare server.
- 3 To log in to the iManager utility, provide the username and password, then click *Login*.
- 4 Click the *Roles and Tasks*  icon in the taskbar.

The iManager utility roles appear in the left pane.

To manage DNS services, click *DNS* and select from the available options.

To manage DHCP services, click *DHCP* and select from the available options.

To log in to a different tree:

- 1 Click the *Login to a different tree*  icon in the taskbar and provide the following:
  - ♦ Username
  - ♦ Password
  - ♦ eDirectory context
  - ♦ eDirectory tree
- 2 Click *Login*.

## Recommended Settings

The recommended settings for the iManager utility are as follows:

**Table 3-1** *Settings for iManager*

Display Settings	Font Size	Browser Setting
1024*768	Small	Any size

## 3.2.2 DNS/DHCP Java-Based Management Console

- ♦ “Prerequisites” on page 68
- ♦ “Installation” on page 68
- ♦ “Launching the Java-Based Management Console” on page 69

### Prerequisites

- ♦ Microsoft\* Windows NT\* or Windows 95 and later
- ♦ Latest version of Novell Client™ or the ZENworks® client installed
- ♦ Minimum PC monitor resolution of 800 x 600 or above with a minimum color setting of 256
- ♦ Minimum 32 MB of system memory (64 MB recommended)
- ♦ Minimum 55 MB of free disk space

### Installation

The installation application for the Management Console is located at `sys:\public\dnshcp\` directory on a NetWare 6.5 server.

To install the DNS/DHCP Management Console on a client workstation:

- 1 Map a drive to the `sys:` volume on a server where NetWare 6.5 is installed.
- 2 Click *Start*, then select *Run*.
- 3 Use the *Browse* button to select the drive mapped to the `sys:` volume on the selected server, then select the Public and DNSDHCP folders.
- 4 Double-click *Setup*, then click *OK* in the Run dialog box.

You can also begin the installation from the command prompt by entering:

```
x:\public\dnshcp\setup.exe
```

where `x` is the drive mapped to `sys` volume on the server where NetWare 6.5 has been installed.

After the DNS/DHCP Management Console has been installed on a workstation, a DNSDHCP icon and the DNSDHCP folder are added to the client's desktop.

During the installation, you have the option of installing the NetWare Administrator snap-in DLL. Select the *Copy Snap-in DLL* option if you want to launch the DNS/DHCP Management utility from NetWare Administrator by selecting *DNS/DHCP Management Console* from the *Tools* menu.

## Launching the Java-Based Management Console

- 1 Log in to the tree where DNS/DHCP services are installed. For more information, refer to “Logging In to the Tree for DNS Setup” on page 95.
- 2 Double-click the shortcut to the `dnsdhcp.exe` program located on the desktop.
- 3 Select the name of the eDirectory tree that you are logged in to and where you want to manage the DNS/DHCP services.

You can use the *Enter NDS Tree Name* field to select an eDirectory tree that you are logged in to.

### 3.2.3 eDirectory Rights Required to Manage DNS/DHCP Configuration

To manage Novell DNS/DHCP Services, you must have sufficient rights for the type of operation you are performing. Assigning rights is done through ConsoleOne®. For more information, see the *ConsoleOne 1.3.x User Guide* (<http://www.novell.com/documentation/lg/consol13/index.html>).

Administrators who add new objects and modify new objects must have Add rights to the appropriate eDirectory container object. The following table lists the rights required:

**Table 3-2** *Rights to Add New Objects*

DNS/DHCP Objects	Object Rights	All Property Rights
Locator object	Browse	Supervisor
Group object	Browse	Supervisor
Existing objects	Supervisor	Supervisor

Administrators who manage a given set of DHCP subnets or DNS zones must have rights to create or delete IP addresses, ranges of addresses, or resource record sets. The following table lists the rights required:

**Table 3-3** *Rights to Add New Objects*

DNS/DHCP Objects	Object Rights	All Property Rights
Locator object	Browse	Read
Group object	Browse	Read
Existing objects	Browse, Create, Delete	Supervisor

Administrators or users who need to view the DNS/DHCP configuration must have the following rights:

**Table 3-4** *Rights to Add New Objects*

DNS/DHCP Objects	Object Rights	All Property Rights
Locator object	Browse	Read
Group object	Browse	Read
Existing objects	Supervisor	Read

## 3.3 Upgrading

All existing DNS/DHCP services can be upgraded from NetWare 5.1 SP6 or NetWare 6.0 SP3 to DNS/DHCP services in NetWare 6.5.

- 1 In the Graphical Console of the NetWare server, select *Novell > Install > Add new product path*, then select the root directory of the source media.
- 2 Select `PRODUCTS.NI`, then select the same DNS/DHCP services you would select for an installation.

If you don't select DNS/DHCP during upgrade, you can still do a post-installation by executing [Step 1 on page 70](#) and [Step 2 on page 70](#) by selecting `POSTINST.NI` instead of `PRODUCTS.NI`.

Before performing a post-installation, the operating system must be upgraded to NetWare 6.5.

While upgrading DNS/DHCP services to NetWare 6.5, the DNS/DHCP install comments out the existing load statements of the DNS service and retains the new load statement `load named.nlm`. The existing load statements are commented because they might contain some command line options that are not supported by the NetWare 6.5 DNS server. For a list of command line options supported by NetWare 6.5 DNS server, refer to [Section 4.7, “NAMED Command Line Options,” on page 108](#) and [Section 5.7, “DHCP SRVR Command Line Options,” on page 144](#).

## 3.4 Validating the DNS/DHCP Services Installation

To validate that the DNS/DHCP Services were installed correctly:

- 1 Create a DNS server object by using any of the management utilities.
- 2 Create a zone and populate it with resource records.
- 3 At the NetWare server console, enter `named` to run the DNS Services.

## 3.5 Repair Utility

A NetWare integrated installation (using NIS) is the recommended way of installing or upgrading DNS/DHCP services. The `dnipinst.nlm` program is capable of performing the installation or upgrade of DNS/DHCP services. This NLM™ must be used for fixing post-installation problems and while removing the DNS/DHCP schema and objects from the tree. For example, if base objects (Group, RootSrvrInfo zone, Locator) are deleted, if the DNS/DHCP services schema is corrupted, or if you need to remove DNS/DHCP schema and objects from the tree.

The DNS/DHCP services installation extends the necessary schema and creates the base objects. The DNS server object is not created as part of this installation. You can create the DNS server object by using the management utilities.

This NLM provides the following functionality:

- ♦ If used without any option, this NLM checks for the presence of the DNS server 6.0.0 and the DHCP server 3.11.1 schema extensions. If the DNS/DHCP services schema is not found or is corrupted, the schema is extended and the base objects are created at the user-specified contexts.
- ♦ If used with the `-f` option, this NLM checks for the presence of base objects. These objects (except the RootSrvrInfo zone) are created only if they are not already present. The RootSrvrInfo zone object is re-created if the TTL value present in the existing root hint RRs (RootSrvrInfo zone) does not match the value 3600000.
- ♦ If used with the `-r` option, all DNS/DHCP related objects are deleted from the tree.
- ♦ If used with the `-rs` option, all DNS/DHCP related objects and the DNS/DHCP services schema are deleted from the tree.

The usage display for this NLM can be seen on the logger screen by using the `-?` option.

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**NOTE:** The `dnipinst.nlm` utility might prompt for the contexts of the base objects. The contexts of the existing base objects must be entered correctly. If the wrong context is provided, multiple base objects will be created in the tree. These base objects will cause the management utilities and DNS/DHCP services to malfunction.

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## 3.6 Uninstallation

To uninstall DNS/DHCP Services or the management utilities, see:

- ♦ [“Uninstalling DNS/DHCP Services” on page 71](#)
- ♦ [“Uninstalling the iManager Utility” on page 72](#)
- ♦ [“Uninstalling the Java-Based Management Console” on page 72](#)

### 3.6.1 Uninstalling DNS/DHCP Services

- 1 Run the NIS uninstall on the individual servers in the tree.

This removes all the `products.dat` entries for the DNS/DHCP product and all load statements of DNS/DHCP services from the `autoexec.ncf` file.

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**NOTE:** This does not remove any objects or schema for the DNS/DHCP services from the tree. Deleting the schema and objects is not necessary because another DNS server might be using them. Because removing the schema and objects will have a tree-level impact, this action does not occur until the DNS/DHCP services are removed from all servers using NIS.

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- 2 Use the `-r` option of the `dnipinst.nlm` to remove the DNS/DHCP objects and the schema for the complete tree.

### 3.6.2 Uninstalling the iManager Utility

Uninstalling iManager 2.5 automatically uninstalls the DNS/DHCP iManager utility because the DNS/DHCP services uses iManager snap-ins.

### 3.6.3 Uninstalling the Java-Based Management Console

- 1 From the Client workstation, click *Start > Settings > Control Panel*, then click *Add or Remove Programs*.
- 2 Select *dnsdhcp* and click *Remove*.



# Configuring DNS

# 4

This section provides information about the following:

- ♦ [Section 4.1, “Configuring Clients to Use DNS,” on page 73](#)
- ♦ [Section 4.2, “DNS Server Configuration Parameters,” on page 73](#)
- ♦ [Section 4.3, “Using the iManager Utility to Configure DNS,” on page 79](#)
- ♦ [Section 4.4, “Using the Java-Based Management Console to Configure DNS,” on page 95](#)
- ♦ [Section 4.5, “Configuring DNS Features,” on page 106](#)
- ♦ [Section 4.6, “Loading the DNS Server,” on page 108](#)
- ♦ [Section 4.7, “NAMED Command Line Options,” on page 108](#)

## 4.1 Configuring Clients to Use DNS

To configure Windows NT, Windows 95/98/2000/XP and later client workstations to use DNS:

- 1 At the client desktop, click *Start > Settings > Control Panel*, then double-click *Network*.  
The Network window opens, listing the network components installed on the client workstation.
- 2 Select *TCP/IP*, then click *Properties*.  
The TCP/IP Properties window is displayed.
- 3 Click the *DNS Configuration* tab.
- 4 Provide a *hostname* and *domain name* for each client.
- 5 Specify the IP address of DNS servers for this client in the search order of preference, then click *OK*.

The client can now send DNS queries to the DNS server.

## 4.2 DNS Server Configuration Parameters

Following are the various options and configuration parameters that you can view or modify for the DNS server:

**Zone List:** This list displays all zones that are serviced by the selected server and the server's role for each zone. To change the role of the selected server for any zone in the list, change the zone's configuration.

**DNS Server IP Address:** Displays the IP addresses that the DNS server listens on for queries.

**DNS Server Domain Name:** Displays the domain name of the DNS server.

**Comments:** You can type up to 256 characters of information about the name server in this field.

**Forwarding List:** Specifies the IP addresses of DNS servers to which queries will be forwarded from this server when it is unable to resolve that query from its authoritative data or cache. Unresolved queries are sent to these servers before they are sent to the root servers.

**No-Forward List:** Specifies a list of domain names whose unresolved queries will not be forwarded to other DNS servers.

**Events Log:** Specifies the degree of event data the server should collect. Major or critical events denote a significant change in the state of server processing. The events log can be configured for the following modes of event generation:

- ♦ None: Turns off event logging (default)
- ♦ Major Events: Logs only critical events
- ♦ All: Logs both major and minor events

**Audit Log:** Enable this option to make the selected server log audit trails and events.

## 4.2.1 NetWare 6.5 DNS Server Options

The following options can be configured only for DNS servers running on NetWare® 6.5:

**SNMP Traps Option:** SNMP traps are generated for various events depending on the configuration for this option. You can generate SNMP traps in the following modes:

- ♦ None: Turns off SNMP traps generation (default)
- ♦ Major Events: Generates SNMP traps only for critical events
- ♦ All: Generates SNMP traps for both major and minor events

**Maximum Cache Size:** Specifies the maximum amount of memory the server can use to cache responses. When the amount of data in the cache reaches this limit, the server causes existing records in cache to expire prematurely so that the limit is not exceeded. The default value is 0, which means an unlimited cache. That is, records are purged from the cache only when their TTLs expire.

**Max Recursion Lookups:** Allows you to configure the maximum number of simultaneous recursive lookups the server will perform on behalf of the clients. The default is 1000. The value of this option might need to be decreased on hosts with limited memory because each recursive lookup uses about 20 kilobytes of memory.

**Zone Out Filter:** Allows you to configure which hosts are allowed to receive zone transfers from the server. If hosts are not specified, the default is to allow transfers from all hosts. The Zone Out filter can be specified in the address match list format for the server.

The value specified for the zone overrides the value specified for the server.

**Allow Recursion:** Specifies which hosts are allowed to submit recursive queries to the server. If hosts are not specified, the default is to allow recursive queries from all hosts. Allow recursion can be specified in the address match list format.

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**NOTE:** If you disallow recursive queries for a host, it prevents the host from retrieving data that is already in the server's cache.

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**Query Filter:** Allows you to configure which hosts are allowed to query the server. If hosts are not specified, the default is to allow queries from all hosts. Query Filter can be specified in the address match list format.

The value specified for the zone overrides the value specified for the server.

**Also Notify:** Defines a global list of IP addresses of name servers that also receive notify messages when a fresh copy of the zone is loaded, in addition to the servers listed in the zone's NS records. This helps to ensure that the copies of the zones quickly converge on stealth servers.

When a zone's notify option is set to *No*, notify messages are not sent to the IP addresses in the global Also Notify list for that zone. The default is the empty list (no global notification list).

The value specified for the zone overrides the value specified for the server.

**Black Listed Servers:** Defines the list of addresses that the server does not accept queries from or use to resolve a query. Queries from these addresses are not responded to. The default is none.

**Additional-from-auth, additional-from-cache:** These options control the behavior of an authoritative server when answering queries that have additional data, or when following CNAME and DNAME chains.

When the *additional-from-auth* option is set to yes and a query is being answered from authoritative data, the additional data section of the reply is filled in, using data from the other authoritative zones.

When the *additional-from-cache* option is set to yes and a query is being answered from authoritative data, the additional data section of the reply is filled in, using data from the cache.

**Allow-notify :** Specifies the hosts that are allowed to notify the server about changes in a secondary zone serviced, in addition to the zone masters. If hosts are not specified, the default is to process notify messages only from a zone's master.

The value specified for the zone overrides the value specified for the server.

**Cleaning-interval:** Specifies the time interval, in minutes, at which the server removes expired resource records from the cache. If it is set to 0, no periodic cleaning occurs. The default value is 60 minutes.

**Forward:** This option can be configured only if the Forwarding list is not empty. If the value is set to first (default), the server queries the forwarders first, and if that does not answer the query, the server then looks for the answer. If the value is set to only, the server will only query the forwarders.

**Lame-ttl:** Sets the number of seconds to cache a lame server indication. 0 disables caching. This is not recommended. The maximum value is 1800 (30 minutes).

**Listen-on:** Specifies the interfaces and ports that the server will answer queries from. It takes an optional port and an address match list. If a port is not specified, port 53 is used.

**Max-cache-ttl:** Sets the maximum time for which the server will cache ordinary (positive) answers.

**Max-ncache-ttl:** The server stores negative answers to reduce network traffic and increase performance. This option is used to set a maximum retention time for these answers in the server. The maximum value is 7 days.

**Minimal-responses:** If this option is set to yes, while generating responses the server will add records to the authority and additional data sections only when they are required (for example, delegations, negative responses). This might improve the performance of the server.

**Notify:** If this option is set to yes, DNS notify messages are sent when a zone for which the server is authoritative for changes. The messages are sent to the servers listed in the zone's NS records (except the master server identified in the SOA MNAME field) and to any servers listed in the also-notify option. If this option is set to explicit, notifications are sent only to servers explicitly listed by using also-notify. If this option is set to no, no notifications are sent.

**Notify-source:** Determines the local source address, and optionally the UDP port, that will be used to send notify messages. The slave servers should also be configured to receive notify messages from this address.

**Novell\_dyn-reconfig:** Specifies the time interval at which dynamic reconfiguration will take place. The minimum value is 10 minutes and the maximum is 24 hours.

**Provide-ixfr :** Determines whether the local server, acting as master, will respond with an incremental zone transfer when the given remote server, a slave, requests it. If this option is set to yes, incremental transfer is provided whenever possible. If this option is set to no, all transfers to the remote server are non-incremental.

**Query-source:** Specifies the address and port used for querying other name servers, if the server does not know the answer to a query.

**Recursion:** If this option is set to yes, and a DNS query requests recursion, then the server attempts to do everything required to answer the query. If this option is set to no, and the server does not already know the answer, it will return a referral response.

**Request-ixfr:** Determines whether the local server, acting as a slave, will request incremental zone transfers from the given remote server, a master.

**RRset-order:** Permits the ordering of the records in a multiple record response to be configured. If this option is set to fixed, records are returned in a fixed order. If this option is set to random-cyclic, the server chooses a record within the RRset as the starting point and returns the records in the starting order at that point.

**Serial-query-rate:** Slave servers periodically query the master servers to find out if the zone serial numbers have changed. Each query uses a small amount of the slave server's network bandwidth. You can limit the rate at which queries are sent and therefore limit the amount of bandwidth used. The value can be an integer, which is the maximum number of queries sent per second.

**Tcp-clients:** Specifies the maximum number of simultaneous TCP client connections that the server accepts.

**Transfer-format:** Zone transfers can be sent by using two different formats, one-answer and many-answers. This option is used on the master server to determine the format of zone transfer. One-answer uses only one DNS message per resource record transferred and many-answers places as many resource records as possible into a message. Many-answers is more efficient.

**Transfer-source:** Determines the local address that is bound to the IPv4 TCP connections used to retrieve the zones transferred inbound by the server. It also determines the source IPv4 address, and optionally the UDP port, used for the refresh queries and forwarded dynamic updates.

**Transfers-in:** Specifies the maximum number of inbound zone transfers that can concurrently run. Increasing the transfers-in might speed up the convergence of the slave zones, but it might also increase the load on the local system.

**Transfers-out:** Specifies the maximum number of outbound zone transfers that can run concurrently. Zone transfer requests in excess of the limit are refused.

**Transfers-per-ns:** Specifies the maximum number of inbound zone transfers that can be transferred concurrently from a given remote name server. Increasing the value of this option might speed up the convergence of slave zones, but it might also increase the load on the remote name server.

**Zone-statistics:** Zone-statistics can be configured to yes so that the server will collect statistical data for the zones.

The value specified for the zone overrides the value specified for the server.

## 4.2.2 Zone Configuration Parameters

The following options and configuration parameters can be viewed or modified for the DNS Zone:

**Zone Type:** Specifies whether the zone is a primary, secondary or forward zone. If this option is set as primary, the Novell DNS servers act as primary servers for this zone. If this option is set as secondary, the servers act as secondary servers. For a forward zone, the Forward DNS server forwards queries to other name servers.

**Zone Master IP Address:** Specifies the IP address of the primary DNS server for the secondary zone.

**Available DNS Servers:** Displays all the available DNS servers that can service the zone.

**Authoritative DNS Server:** Displays all servers that are servicing the zone. All servers in this list are authoritative for the zone. For a primary zone, all servers listed are passive primary servers except the one specified in the *Designated Primary* field.

The server in the *Designated Primary* field act as a designated primary server. For a secondary zone, all servers listed are passive secondary servers except the one specified in the *Designated Secondary* field. The server in the *Designated Secondary* field act as the designated secondary server.

**Designated Primary (for Primary Zone):** Specifies the designated primary server for the zone. If you specify a server as designated primary, it is the server designated for receiving dynamic updates.

**Designated Secondary (for Secondary Zone):** Specifies the designated secondary server for the zone. If you specify a server as designated secondary, it is the server designated for receiving zone-in transfers.

**Comments:** You can type up to 256 characters of information about the name server in this field.

**Forward Zone:** The server forwards all requests to another DNS server and caches the results. There is no difference between a designated server and other servers.

**Empty Forwarder List :** An empty forwarder list is used for domain delegation (child zones). With this option, global forwarders are ignored and NS records are used for domain delegation.

**Forward:** Specifies the IP address to be used for forwarding. Click the *Forward* button, provide the IP address, then click *Add*.

**Only :** Controls the behavior of queries for which the server is not authoritative and the answers do not exist in the cache. If you specify the value as *Only*, the server queries only the forwarders list

**First :** Controls the behavior of queries for which the server is not authoritative and the answers do not exist in the cache. If you specify the value as *First*, the server queries the forwarders list first and, if the answer is not found, the server searches for the answer

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**NOTE:** This option is available only if one or more IP addresses are added in the forward list

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**Zone Out Filter:** Specifies which hosts are authorized to do a zone out transfer for this zone from primary servers of this zone. If this field is not configured, each DNS server servicing this zone uses its own Zone Out filter list value (if configured). Otherwise, the default value is used.

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**NOTE:** Zone Timer is used to initiate the zone maintenance. This value is not configurable (it is set to 15 minutes). This timer is set when the zone gets the first dynamic update. The zone maintenance is done at the expiry of this timer or during dynamic reconfiguration, whichever happens first. The zone timer is useful when the dynamic reconfiguration is set to a higher value.

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**Zone Master:** Displays the domain name for the master server of the zone (also called the designated primary server).

**E-mail Address:** Displays the e-mail address (with “@” replaced by “.”) of the person responsible for this zone.

**Serial Number:** Used for zone data versioning. Serial numbers are automatically incremented to reflect any changes to the zone data such as creation, deletion, or modification of resource records; dynamic updates; and zone transfers. This parameter is primarily used to notify the slave zones of a change in the zone data.

**Refresh:** The refresh interval indicates the time interval at which the secondary server of this zone checks with the master server to see whether its data is up-to-date. If the data in the master server is the latest, the secondary server transfers it from the master server. The default is 180 minutes.

**Retry:** If the slave fails to contact the master server after the refresh period, then it starts contacting the master server after every retry interval. The default is 60 minutes.

**Expire:** If the slave fails to contact the master server for expiration, the slave server expires this zone data. The default is 168 hours.

**Minimum TTL:** Specifies the minimum TTL value for the resource record. This value applies to all resource records in the zone data. The name server supplies this TTL in query responses, allowing other servers to cache the data for the TTL interval. The default is 24 hours.

**Query Filter:** Allows you to configure which hosts are allowed to query the servers for data in this zone. If a value is not specified, the default is to allow queries from all hosts. Query filter can be specified in the address match list format. If this field is not configured, each DNS server servicing this zone uses its own query filter list value if it is configured. Otherwise, the default value is used.

**Also Notify:** Defines a list of IP addresses of name servers that also receive notify messages whenever a fresh copy of the zone is loaded, in addition to the servers listed in the zone's NS records. This helps to ensure that copies of the zones quickly converge on stealth servers.

The value specified for the zone will override the value specified for the server. When a zone's notify option is set to no, no notifications are sent to any server about changes in the zone data. The default is an empty list.

**Allow Update:** Specifies which hosts are allowed to submit dynamic DNS updates for primary zones. The default is to deny updates from all hosts. This control list is applicable only to RFC 2136 standards-based dynamic updates. This option can be configured only for a primary zone.

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**NOTE:** Allow Update with keys option is supported for Linux DNS only.

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**Allow-notify:** Specifies the hosts that are allowed to notify slaves of a zone change in addition to the zone masters. This can be configured only for a secondary zone. If this field is not configured, each DNS server servicing this zone uses the allow-notify value if it is configured. Otherwise, the default value is none.

**Notify:** If this option is set to yes, DNS notify messages are sent by the authoritative servers of this zone when the zone data changes. The messages are sent to the servers listed in the zone's NS records (except the master server identified in the SOA MNAME field) and to other servers listed in the also-notify option. If this option is set to explicit, notifications are sent only to the servers explicitly listed using also-notify. If this option is set to no, no notifications are sent.

**Notify-source:** Determines the local source address, and optionally UDP port, that is used to send NOTIFY messages when this zone data changes. The slave server should also be configured to receive notify messages from this address.

**Transfer-source:** Determines the local address that is bound to the IPv4 TCP connections used to retrieve the zones transferred inbound by the server. It also determines the source IPv4 address, and optionally the UDP port, used for the refresh queries and forwarded dynamic updates.

**Zone-statistics:** Zone-statistics can be configured to yes so that the server collects statistical data for the zone.

The value specified for the zone will override the value specified for the server.

## 4.3 Using the iManager Utility to Configure DNS

This section provides information about configuring DNS objects and importing and exporting database information using the iManager utility.

- ♦ [“Scope Settings” on page 79](#)
- ♦ [“DNS Prerequisites” on page 80](#)
- ♦ [“DNS Server Management” on page 80](#)
- ♦ [“Zone Management” on page 87](#)
- ♦ [“Resource Record Management” on page 92](#)

### 4.3.1 Scope Settings

For better performance results with the iManager utility, particularly in a distributed DNS/DHCP setup, you should configure the DNS/DHCP scope settings for the session before you proceed with other administrative tasks.

If you do not configure the DNS/DHCP scope settings for the session, you receive a warning before every task you attempt to perform indicating that the scope settings are not set. However, you can still proceed with the task.

Setting the scope of the DNS/DHCP services requires two specifications for the session: the Novell® eDirectory™ context of the Locator object and the administrative scope of the session. Specifying the eDirectory context of the Locator object at the start of the session significantly

improves performance because it eliminates the need to search for the Locator object. Specifying the administrative scope of the session also improves performance significantly because it restricts the retrieval of DNS/DHCP objects for viewing to the scope you specify.

When you configure the DNS/DHCP scope settings for a session, they only last as long as the session lasts. If you start a new session, you must configure the DNS/DHCP scope settings again.

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**IMPORTANT:** If you configure DNS/DHCP scope settings for a session for either DNS or DHCP, the settings apply across the session to both roles.

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To configure DNS/DHCP scope settings:

- 1 Click *DNS* or *DHCP* > *DNS/DHCP Scope Settings* to open the DNS/DHCP Scope Settings window.
- 2 Specify the eDirectory context of the DNS/DHCP Locator object or browse to select it.
- 3 Specify the eDirectory context of the container object that will provide the administrative scope of the current session.

If you specify only the eDirectory context of the DNS/DHCP Locator object and not the administrative scope of the current session, you can proceed with administrative tasks without receiving a warning message. However, performance is further optimized if you also define the administrative scope.

- 4 Click *OK*.
  - 5 Click *Repeat Task* to configure the scope settings again.
- A message indicates that the scope request was successful.

### 4.3.2 DNS Prerequisites

Ensure that you have met the following prerequisites prior to setting up DNS:

- ☐ Install NetWare 6.5 on the selected servers.
- ☐ Install Novell iManager.
- ☐ Install Internet Explorer 5.5 Support Pack 2, or Internet Explorer 6.0 on a Windows client.

### 4.3.3 DNS Server Management

The DNS Server Management role consists of the following tasks:

- ♦ “Creating a DNS Server Object” on page 81
- ♦ “Viewing or Modifying a DNS Server Object” on page 81
- ♦ “Deleting a DNS Server” on page 83
- ♦ “Starting or Stopping a DNS Server” on page 83
- ♦ “Viewing the DNS Event Log” on page 86
- ♦ “Viewing the DNS Audit Trail Log” on page 85
- ♦ “Loading or Unloading a DNS Server” on page 84
- ♦ “Moving a DNS Server” on page 85
- ♦ “Configuring DNS Auditing” on page 85



## Creating a DNS Server Object

Use the iManager utility to create and set up a DNS server object for each DNS server you plan to operate.

- 1 Click *DNS > DNS Server Management* to open the DNS Server Management window in the main panel.
- 2 From the drop-down menu, select *Create Server* and click *OK* to open the Create DNS Server window.
- 3 Type the NCP™ server name or browse to select an NCP server from the eDirectory tree.
- 4 Specify a unique hostname for the DNS server object.
- 5 Specify a domain name for the server object.
- 6 Click *Create*.

A message indicates that the new DNS server was created.

## Viewing or Modifying a DNS Server Object

After you create a DNS server object, you can modify its configuration parameters.

- 1 Click *DNS > DNS Server Management* to open the DNS Server Management window in the main panel.
- 2 From the drop-down menu, select *View/Modify Server* and click *OK* to open the View/Modify Server window.
- 3 Select the DNS Server from the drop-down list, then click *OK*.

You are led through a set of steps that allow you to view and modify the following DNS server configuration parameters:


- ♦ **List of Zones:** Lists the names of the zones that the server manages along with the roles of this server for each of the zones. This field cannot be edited.
- ♦ **DNS Server IP Address:** Contains the IP addresses on which the DNS server listens for queries. This field cannot be edited.
- ♦ **DNS Server Domain name:** Lists the domain name of the DNS server.
- ♦ **DNS Server Comments:** You can add your comments about the DNS server in this box. This parameter is optional.
- ♦ **Forward List:** Specifies a list of IP addresses of DNS servers to which unresolved queries will be forwarded.
  - ♦ To add servers to the *Forward List*, click *Add*, specify the IP address of the server, then click *Add* again.
  - ♦ To remove servers from the *Forward List*, select the IP address of the server from the Forward List, then click *Delete*.
- ♦ **No-Forward List:** Specifies a list of domain names whose unresolved queries will not be forwarded to other DNS servers.
  - ♦ To add domain names to the *No-Forward List*, click *Add*, specify the domain name of the server, then click *OK*.
  - ♦ To remove domain names from the *No-Forward List*, select the domain name from the *No-Forward List*, then click *Delete*.


- ♦ **First:** Controls the behavior of queries for which the server is not authoritative and the answers do not exist in the cache. Values can be either *First* or *Only*. The default is *First*. If you specify the value as *First*, the server queries the forwarders list first and, if the answer is not found, the server will search for the answer.
- ♦ **Only:** Controls the behavior of queries for which the server is not authoritative and the answers do not exist in the cache. Values can be either *First* or *Only*. If you specify the value as *Only*, the server queries only the forwarders list.
- ♦ **Events Log:** Specifies the degree of event data the server should collect. Major or critical events denote a significant change in the state of server processing. To configure the event log, select from the following options:
  - ♦ None: Turns off event logging (default)
  - ♦ Major Events: Logs only the critical events
  - ♦ All: Logs both major and minor events
- ♦ **Audit Log:** Select *Enable Audit Trail Log* to log audit trails and events.
- ♦ **SNMP Traps Option:** SNMP traps are generated for various events depending on the configuration for this option.

You can select from the following options:

- ♦ None: Turns off the SNMP traps generation (default)
- ♦ Major Events: Generates SNMP traps only for critical events
- ♦ All: Generates SNMP traps for both major and minor events
- ♦ **Allow Recursion:** Specifies a list of IP addresses or networks that can submit recursive DNS queries. If you want to disable recursion, specify a value of None.


To add the address match list element:


- ♦ Click .
- ♦ Specify the *IP address* and the *mask length*.  
The *network number* is optional.
- ♦ If you want to add a generic option, check the *Predefined match-list* to select from the available options in the drop-down list.
- ♦ Click *OK*.

To delete the address match list element, select the item to be deleted, then click .

- ♦ **Query Filter:** Specifies a list of IP addresses or networks that are authorized to query the DNS server. If no IP address is specified, queries are allowed from all hosts.


To add the address match list element:


- ♦ Click .
- ♦ Specify the *IP address* and the *mask length*.  
The *network number* is optional.
- ♦ If you want to add a generic option, check the *Predefined match-list* to select from the available options in the drop-down list.
- ♦ Click *OK*.

To delete the address match list element, select the item to be deleted, then click .


- ♦ **Zone Out Filter:** Specifies a list of IP addresses or networks that are authorized to perform zone transfer from the DNS server.


To add the address match list element:

- ♦ Click .
- ♦ Specify the *IP address* and the *mask length*.  
The *network number* is optional.
- ♦ If you want to add a generic option, select the *Predefined match-list* to select from the available options in the drop-down list.
- ♦ Click *OK*.


To delete the address match list element, select the item to be deleted, then click .


- ♦ **Also Notify:** Specifies a list of IP addresses of name servers that receive Notify messages, when a fresh copy of the zone is loaded.

To add the IP address, Click , specify the *IP address*, then click *OK*.

To delete the IP address, select the *IP address* you want to delete, then click .

- ♦ **Blacklist Server:** Specifies a list of IP addresses of servers that are not approved. The DNS server does not answer queries from or forward queries to the servers listed.

To add the IP address, click , specify the *IP address*, then click *OK*.

To delete the IP address, select the *IP address* you want to delete, then click .

- ♦ **Maximum Cache Size:** Specifies the maximum amount of memory in kilobytes that the server can use as cache.
- ♦ **Maximum Recursion Lookups:** Specifies the maximum number of simultaneous recursive lookups the server performs on behalf of the clients.
- ♦ **Current set of Additional Options:** Specifies the additional global server and zone options.  
To view the options, click *Modify* to open the View/Modify Server window.
  - ♦ To add an available additional option, select the option and click *Add*.
  - ♦ To add all available additional options, click *Add All*.
  - ♦ To remove an available additional option, select the option and click *Remove*.
  - ♦ To remove all available additional options, click *Remove All*.
  - ♦ To delete all option names in the list, click the top-level check box, then click *Delete*.
  - ♦ To remove one or more option names, click the check box next to it, then click *Delete*.

## Deleting a DNS Server

- 1 Click *DNS > DNS Server Management* to open the DNS Server Management window in the main panel.
- 2 From the drop-down menu, select *Delete Server* and click *OK* to open the Delete DNS Server window.
  - ♦ To remove all DNS servers in the list, click the top-level check box and click *Delete*.
  - ♦ To remove one or more DNS servers, click the check box next to it and click *Delete*.

## Starting or Stopping a DNS Server

The DNS server (`named.nlm`) must be loaded before you can start or stop the server activity.

The Start/Stop service can be used to load zone data along with the modified configuration without unloading and reloading the DNS server. When you stop the DNS server using this option, it is still loaded in the memory. However, no services are provided. You can use the iManager Management utility or the Java-Based Management Console to update the zone data. When you restart the DNS server by using this option, the server is reconfigured with the new configuration settings and the zone data is also reloaded.

This option can also be used to remotely start and stop the DNS server.

- 1 Click *DNS > DNS Server Management* to open the DNS Server Management window in the main panel.
- 2 From the drop-down menu, select *Start/Stop Server* and click *OK* to open the Start/Stop Server window.
- 3 Select the DNS server.
- 4 Click *OK*.
- 5 Depending on the state of the DNS server module, one of the following appears:
  - ♦ Failure notification message: This appears if the DNS server module (`named.nlm`) is not loaded. In order to start the server, load the DNS server module through the system console.
  - ♦ Start button: If the DNS server module is loaded but is in Stop mode, click the button to start the DNS server.
  - ♦ Stop button: If the DNS server module is loaded but is in Start mode, click the button to stop the DNS server.

### Loading or Unloading a DNS Server

- 1 Click *DNS > DNS Server Management* to open the DNS Server Management window in the main panel.
- 2 From the drop-down menu, select *Load/Unload Server* and then click *OK* to open the Load/Unload Server window.
- 3 Select the DNS server and specify the port number that the DNS server is configured on.  
The port is required to check whether the DNS Server is running or not. By default, port 53 is used if no other port number is specified.
- 4 Click *OK*.

Depending on the state and the version of the DNS Server, one of the following appears:

- ♦ If the NLM™ is not loaded on the machine, you are prompted to `load named`.  
Based on the DNS Server version that is selected, the supported command line options are displayed. Enter the command line options to load the NLM with, then click *Load*.
  - ♦ If the NLM is already loaded on the machine, you are prompted to `unload named`. To unload the NLM, click *Unload*.
- 5 Click *OK* to complete the task.

When you click Load or Unload, the corresponding command is sent to the server. The success status in iManager indicates only that the command was issued to the server. This does not necessarily mean that the command execution was successful.

## Moving a DNS Server

This task enables you to move DNS Services from one NCP server to another NCP server. You can also convert a DNS server into a cluster-enabled DNS server by moving it to a virtual NCP server.

This feature is supported for DNS servers running on NetWare 6.5 or later.

To move a DNS server:

- 1 Click *DNS > DNS Server Management* to open the DNS Server Management window in the main panel.
- 2 From the drop-down menu, select *Move DNS Server* and click *OK* to open the Move DNS Server window.
- 3 Select the DNS Server name from the drop-down list.  
DNS servers prior to NetWare 6.5 are not available in this list.
- 4 Specify the name of the NCP Server that the DNS Services will be moved to or use the *Object Selector* icon to browse and select it.
- 5 Click *Move*.

## Configuring DNS Auditing

To configure a DNS server to audit activities:

- 1 Click *DNS > DNS Server Management* to open the DNS Server Management window in the main panel.
- 2 From the drop-down menu, select *View/Modify Server* and click *OK* to open the View/Modify Server window.
- 3 Select the DNS Server from the drop-down menu.
- 4 Click *OK*.
- 5 Click *Next* three times, then select *Major Events* or *All* under Event Log.
- 6 Click the *Enable Audit Trail Log* check box.
- 7 Click *Next*.
- 8 Click *Done*.

## Viewing the DNS Audit Trail Log

To view the audit trail log, `csatpxy.nlm` must be running on the server.

- 1 Click *DNS > DNS Server Management* to open the DNS Server Management window in the main panel.
- 2 From the drop-down menu, select *Audit Trail Log* and click *OK* to open the DNS Audit Trail Log window.
- 3 Select the server from the DNS Server drop-down menu.
- 4 If you want to filter the *Audit Period*, modify the starting and ending dates in the appropriate fields.

The following date format is accepted:

mm-dd-yyyy

**5** Click *OK*.

This opens the DNS Audit Trail Log table, which lists the following data:

- ♦ Entry Time: Date and time the event occurred
- ♦ Type: Type of event
- ♦ IP Address: IP address at which the event occurred
- ♦ Domain Name: Domain Name at which the event occurred

**6** To define a view filter on the Audit Trail Log, click the *Display Options* button.

You can now filter events on the following parameters:

- ♦ Start Date: Sets a start date for monitoring the DNS audit trail.
- ♦ End Date: Sets an end date for monitoring the DNS audit trail.
- ♦ Agent Ready: The SNMP (Simple Network Mail Protocol) agent is ready to receive or transmit requests.
- ♦ Query Received: The DNS server acknowledges the receipt of a query by making an entry in the log file.
- ♦ Query Forwarded: The DNS server forwards a query to a client or from another DNS server.
- ♦ Response Received: The DNS server responds to a query from a client or another DNS server.

### **Saving the DNS Audit Trail Log**

- 1** Click *DNS > DNS Server Management* to open the DNS Server Management window in the main panel.
- 2** From the drop-down menu, select *Audit Trail Log* and click *OK* to open the DNS Audit Trail Log window, then click *Next*.
- 3** Click the *Click here to Download File* link, then save the audit trail log file on your local machine.

### **Viewing the DNS Event Log**

To view the event log, *csatpxy* must be running on the server.

- 1** Click *DNS > DNS Server Management* to open the DNS Server Management window in the main panel.
- 2** From the drop-down menu, select *Event Log* and click *OK* to open the DNS Event - Events Log window.
- 3** Select the server from the DNS Server drop-down menu.
- 4** If you want to filter the *Audit Period*, modify the start and end dates in the appropriate fields.  
The following date format is accepted:  
mm-dd-yyyy
- 5** Click *OK*.

This opens the DNS Event Log table, which lists the following data:

- ♦ Entry Time: Date and time the event occurred
- ♦ Severity: Severity of the event - critical, major, warning, and informational

- ♦ State: State of the server - operational, degraded, and inoperative
  - ♦ Description: Description of the event that occurred
- 6** To define a view filter on the DNS Event Log, click the *Display Options* button.

You can now filter events on the following parameters:

- ♦ Start and end date settings regulate the time recorded by the event logger.
- ♦ Severity options define which event levels are recorded: critical, major, warning, and informational.
- ♦ State settings define the condition of events recorded: operational, degraded, and inoperative.

### **Saving the DNS Event Log**

- 1** Click *DNS > DNS Server Management* to open the DNS Server Management window in the main panel.
- 2** From the drop-down menu, select *Event Log* and click *OK* to open the DNS Event - Events Log window, then click *Next*.
- 3** Click the *Click here to Download File* link, then save the Event Log file on your local machine.

## **4.3.4 Zone Management**

The DNS Zone object is an eDirectory container object that comprises Resource Record Set (RRSet) objects and resource records.

- ♦ “Creating a Primary Forward Zone” on page 87
- ♦ “Creating a Secondary Forward Zone” on page 88
- ♦ “Creating a Primary IN-ADDR.ARPA Zone” on page 89
- ♦ “Creating a Secondary IN-ADDR.ARPA Zone” on page 89
- ♦ “Viewing or Modifying a Zone Object” on page 90
- ♦ “Deleting a Zone Object” on page 91
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- ♦ “Exporting a Zone Object” on page 92

### **Creating a Forward Zone Object**

- ♦ “Creating a Primary Forward Zone” on page 87
- ♦ “Creating a Secondary Forward Zone” on page 88
- ♦ “Creating a Forward Zone” on page 88

### **Creating a Primary Forward Zone**

- 1** Click *DNS > Zone Management* to open the Zone Management window in the main panel.
- 2** From the drop-down menu, select *Create Zone* and click *OK* to open the Create DNS Zone window.
- 3** Select *Create New Zone*.
- 4** Specify the *eDirectory context* for the zone or browse to select it.

- 5 Specify a name for the zone object.
- 6 Under the *Zone Type*, select *Primary* (default).
- 7 Select a DNS server from the *Assigned Authoritative DNS Server* drop-down menu.  
or  
Specify a unique hostname in the *Name Server Host Name* box and, optionally, select a domain from the *Domain* drop-down menu.
- 8 Click *OK*.
- 9 Click *Create*.  
A message indicates that the new primary zone has been created.

### Creating a Secondary Forward Zone

- 1 Click *DNS > Zone Management* to open the Zone Management window in the main panel.
- 2 From the drop-down menu, select *Create Zone*, then click *OK* to open the Create DNS Zone window.
- 3 Select *Create New Zone*.
- 4 Specify the *eDirectory context* for the zone or browse to select it.
- 5 Specify a name for the zone object.
- 6 Under the *Zone Type*, select *Secondary*.
- 7 Specify the *IP address* of the DNS server that will provide zone out transfers for this secondary zone.
- 8 Select a DNS server from the *Assigned Authoritative DNS Server* drop-down menu. This parameter is optional.  
or  
Specify a unique hostname in the *Name Server Host Name* box and, optionally, select a domain from the *Domain* drop-down menu, then click *OK*.
- 9 Click *Create*.  
A message indicates that the new secondary zone has been created.

### Creating a Forward Zone

- 1 Click *DNS > Zone Management* to open the Zone Management window in the main panel.
- 2 From the drop-down menu, select *Create Zone*, then click *OK* to open the Create DNS Zone window.
- 3 Select *Create New Zone*.
- 4 Specify the *eDirectory context* for the zone or browse to select it.
- 5 Specify a name for the zone object.
- 6 Under the *Zone Type*, select *Forward*.
- 7 Select a DNS server from the *Assigned Authoritative DNS Server* drop-down menu. This parameter is optional.  
or  
Specify a unique hostname in the *Name Server Host Name* box and, optionally, select a domain from the *Domain* drop-down menu, then click *OK*.



**8** Click *Create*.

A message indicates that the new forward zone has been created.

### Creating an IN-ADDR.ARPA Object

- ♦ “Creating a Primary IN-ADDR.ARPA Zone” on page 89
- ♦ “Creating a Secondary IN-ADDR.ARPA Zone” on page 89
- ♦ “Creating a Forward IN-ADDR.ARPA zone” on page 90

#### Creating a Primary IN-ADDR.ARPA Zone

- 1** Click *DNS > Zone Management* to open the Zone Management window in the main panel.
- 2** From the drop-down menu, select *Create Zone* and click *OK* to open the Create DNS Zone window.
- 3** Select *Create IN-ADDR.ARPA*.
- 4** Specify the *eDirectory context* for the zone or browse to select it.
- 5** Specify the network address of the zone in the *Network Address* field.  
For example, specify 143.72.155 only for 155.72.143.IN-ADDR.ARPA.  
The IN-ADDR.ARPA zone name is displayed in the *Zone Domain Name* field.
- 6** Under the *Zone Type*, select *Primary* (default).
- 7** Select a DNS server from the *Assigned Authoritative DNS Server* drop-down menu.  
or  
Specify a unique hostname in the *Name Server Host Name* box and, optionally, specify a domain name or select it from the *Domain* drop-down menu.
- 8** Click *Create*.

A message indicates that the new Primary IN-ADDR.ARPA Zone object has been created.

#### Creating a Secondary IN-ADDR.ARPA Zone

- 1** Click *DNS > Zone Management* to open the Zone Management window in the main panel.
- 2** From the drop-down menu, select *Create Zone*, then click *OK* to open the Create DNS Zone window.
- 3** Select *Create IN-ADDR.ARPA*.
- 4** Specify the *eDirectory context* for the zone or browse to select it.
- 5** Specify the network address in the *Network Address* field.  
The IN-ADDR.ARPA zone name is displayed in the *Zone Domain Name* field.
- 6** Under the *Zone Type*, select *Secondary*.
- 7** Select a DNS server from the *Assigned Authoritative DNS Server* drop-down menu.  
or  
Specify a unique hostname in the *Name Server Host Name* box and, optionally, specify a domain name or select it from the *Domain* drop-down menu.
- 8** Type the IP address of the DNS server that will provide zone-out transfers for this secondary zone.

9 Click *Create*.

A message indicates that the new Secondary IN-ADDR.ARPA Zone object has been created.

### Creating a Forward IN-ADDR.ARPA zone

- 1 Click *DNS > Zone Management* to open the Zone Management window in the main panel.
- 2 From the drop-down menu, select *Create Zone*, then click *OK* to open the Create DNS Zone window.
- 3 Select *Create IN-ADDR.ARPA*.
- 4 Specify the *eDirectory context* for the zone or browse to select it.
- 5 Specify the network address in the *Network Address* field.

The IN-ADDR.ARPA zone name is displayed in the *Zone Domain Name* field.

- 6 Under the Zone Type, select *Forward*.
- 7 Select a DNS server from the *Assigned Authoritative DNS Server* drop-down menu.

or

Specify a unique hostname in the *Name Server Host Name* box, then click *Add* and select a domain name from the pop-up window.

8 Click *Create*.

A message indicates that the new Secondary IN-ADDR.ARPA Zone object has been created.

### Viewing or Modifying a Zone Object

After you have created a Zone object, you can modify it and provide more detailed configuration information.

- 1 Click *DNS > Zone Management* to open the Zone Management window in the main panel.
- 2 From the drop-down menu, select *View/Modify Zone* and click *OK* to open the View/Modify Zone window.
- 3 Select the *DNS Zone* object from the drop-down menu.
- 4 Click *OK*.

You can now modify the following DNS Zone configuration parameters:

- ♦ **Zone Type:** Specifies whether the zone is a primary, secondary, or forward zone.

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**NOTE:** It is not possible to change the zone type from primary/secondary to forward and vice versa

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- ♦ **Zone Master IP Address:** If the zone type is secondary, specify the IP address of the master server for this zone.
- ♦ **Forwarder:** Controls the behavior of queries for which the server is not authoritative and the answers do not exist in the cache. Values can be either *First* or *Only*. The default is *First*. If you specify the value as *First*, the server queries the forwarders list first, and if the answer is not found, the server searches for the answer. If you specify the value as *Only*, the server queries only the forwarders list.

- ♦ **Available DNS Servers:** Lists the available DNS Servers that are not assigned to this zone.  
Authoritative DNS Servers: Lists all authoritative servers for this zone.
  - ♦ **Add All:** Select this option to assign all available DNS servers to a zone.
  - ♦ **Remove All:** Select this option to remove all authoritative DNS servers from a zone.
- ♦ **Designated DNS Server:** The DNS Server selected in this field acts as a designated primary or designated secondary server depending on whether the zone type is primary or secondary.
- ♦ **Comments:** You can provide information about the zone in this field. This parameter is optional.
- ♦ **Forward List:** Specifies a list of DNS servers to which unresolved queries are sent.
- ♦ **Modify Zone Out Filter:** Specifies a list of IP addresses or networks authorized to perform zone transfers for this zone from the DNS server managing it.
- ♦ **Zone Master:** Specifies the domain name of the master DNS Server.
- ♦ **E-mail Address:** Specifies the e-mail address (with “@” replaced by “.”) of the person responsible for this zone.
- ♦ **Serial Number:** Use this field to set a version number for the Start of Authority.
- ♦ **Interval values:** Select from the following values:
  - ♦ **Refresh:** Specifies the time in which the secondary name server transfers a copy of the zone data to the primary name server. The default is 180 minutes.
  - ♦ **Retry:** Specifies the time that a secondary name server waits after a transfer has failed and before it tries to download the zone database again. The default is 60 minutes.
  - ♦ **Expire:** Specifies the time after which a secondary name server will be unable to download a zone database. The default is 168 hours.
  - ♦ **Minimal TTL:** Specifies the minimum TTL for a resource record. This parameter determines the period for which a DNS server retains an address mapping in the cache. The default is 24 hours.

### Deleting a Zone Object

- 1 Click *DNS > Zone Management* to open the Zone Management window in the main panel.
- 2 From the drop-down menu, select *Delete Zone* and click *OK* to open the Delete DNS Zone window.
- 3 Select the *DNS zones* that are to be deleted.  
To delete all the Zone objects in the list, click the top-level check box.
- 4 Click *Next*.
- 5 Select the zones whose sub-zones are to be deleted.  
To delete all the sub-zone objects in the list, click the top-level check box.
- 6 Click *Delete*.

### Importing a Zone Object

- 1 Click *DNS > Zone Management* to open the Zone Management window in the main panel.
- 2 From the drop-down menu, select *Import Zone* and click *OK* to open the Import DNS Zone window.
- 3 Click *Next* to select the context where the zone object must be created.

- 4 Select a target DNS server distinguished name.  
This server subsequently manages the zone data.
- 5 Under the *Zone Type*, select either Primary (default) or Secondary.
- 6 If you select Secondary as the Zone type, specify the IP address of the zone.
- 7 Specify or browse to select the *DNS Bind File* location.
- 8 Click *OK*.

If the import operation encounters any problems, you can view the error details by downloading the log file. Also, if any of the resource records are ignored because of this problem, you can create them by using the task [“Creating Resource Records” on page 93](#).

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**NOTE:** Importing a Forward Zone is not supported

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### Exporting a Zone Object

- 1 Click *DNS > Zone Management* to open the Zone Management window in the main panel.
- 2 From the drop-down menu, select *Export Zone* and click *OK* to open the Export DNS Zone window.
- 3 From the drop-down menu, select the *DNS Zone* to which the file will be exported.
- 4 Click *OK*.
- 5 Click the *Click here to download* link to open the *File Download* dialog box.
- 6 Select *Save this file to disk*, then click *OK*.
- 7 Specify the name of the file or browse to select it, then click *Save*.
- 8 Click *Done*.

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**NOTE:** Exporting a Forward Zone is not supported

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## 4.3.5 Resource Record Management

An RRSset object represents an individual domain name within a DNS zone. Each RRSset object has one or more resource records beneath it that contain additional information about the domain.

The most common resource records are Address (A) records, which map a domain name to an IP address, and Pointer (PTR) records, which map an IP address to a domain name within an IN-ADDR.ARPA zone.

Creation, modification, or updating of Resource records is not supported for a Forward Zone

The Resource Record Management role consists of the following tasks:

- ♦ [“Creating Resource Records” on page 93](#)
- ♦ [“Viewing or Modifying Resource Records” on page 93](#)
- ♦ [“Deleting Resource Records” on page 94](#)

## Creating Resource Records

A resource record is a piece of information about a domain name. Each resource record contains information about a particular piece of data within the domain.

To create a new resource record:

- 1 Click *DNS > Resource Record Management* to open the Resource Record Management window in the main panel.
- 2 From the drop-down menu, select *Create Resource Record* and click *OK* to open the Create Resource Record window.
- 3 From the drop-down menu, select the domain name where the resource record is to be created, then click *Create*.

Resource records cannot be created in a secondary zone.

- 4 Specify the owner name under which you want to create the resource record or click the Object Selector icon to search for an existing owner name.

If the owner name is not specified, the resource record is created under "@".

- 5 From the *Others* drop-down menu, select the *Resource Record Type (RR Type)* from the available options and specify the appropriate resource record data corresponding to the type chosen.
- 6 Click *Create*.
- 7 Click *OK* after the resource record is created.
- 8 Click *Done* to automatically increment the serial number and complete the task.

For more information on Resource Record Types, see [Section A.2, "Types of Resource Records," on page 186](#).

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**NOTE:** Start of Authority (SOA) is defined as part of a Zone object's attributes. A Pointer (PTR) record is created automatically when any new A resource record is created and if a primary IN-ADDR.ARPA zone exists to which the IP address belongs. Similarly, an A type resource record is created when any new PTR record is created and if a primary zone exists to which the domain name pointed by PTR record belongs.

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## Viewing or Modifying Resource Records

- 1 Click *DNS > Resource Record Management* to open the Resource Record Management window in the main panel.
- 2 Select *View/Modify Resource Record* from the drop-down menu and click *OK* to open the Modify RRSets - Resource Record window.
- 3 From the *Select Domain* drop-down menu, select the domain that contains the host or RRSets. Resource records cannot be created in a secondary zone.
- 4 Specify or search to select the values for the following fields: *Host Name*, *Resource Record*, and *Resource Record Type*.

To use the search feature to select these values:

- ♦ Click the *Object Selector* icon to open the Object Selector window.

- ♦ Select the *Resource Record type* from the drop-down menu, select the number of search results to be displayed per page, click *Search*, then click the hostname.

This automatically fills in the *Host Name*, *Resource Record*, and *Resource Record Type* fields.

- 5 Click *Modify* to modify the resource record data.
- 6 Modify the resource record data for all but the following types of resource records:  
A (or IPv4)AAAA (or ntwk\_ipv6\_nw)A6  
PTR
- 7 Enter new comments or modify existing comments for the resource record data.
- 8 Click *Done* to save the changes.

## Deleting Resource Records

You can delete one, more than one, or all resource records and RRSets, by using the multi-select deletion feature in the iManager utility.

- 1 Click *DNS > Resource Record Management* to open the Resource Record Management window in the main panel.
- 2 From the drop-down menu, select *Delete Resource Record* and click *OK* to open the Delete RRSets - Resource Record window.
- 3 From the *Select Domain* drop-down menu, select the domain that contains the host or RRSets. Resource records cannot be created in a secondary zone.
- 4 Delete either the entire RRSets or one or more resource records in the RRSets.
  - ♦ To search for RRSets by owner name, specify the name of the RRSets owner.
  - ♦ Select the RRSets option from the *Search Type* drop-down menu.
  - ♦ Click *Search* to list the available RRSets that match the specified owner name.
  - ♦ To delete all RRSets listed, click the top-level check box and click *Delete*. To delete one or more RRSets, click the corresponding check boxes and click *Delete*.
- 5 Delete one or more resource records:
  - ♦ To search for a resource record by owner name, specify the name of the Resource Record owner.
  - ♦ Select Resource record from the *Search Type* drop-down menu.
  - ♦ Select the resource record type from the *RR Type* drop-down menu.
  - ♦ Click *Search* to list the available resource records that match the specified owner name. To delete all resource records listed, click the top-level check box and click *Delete*. To delete one or more resource records, click the corresponding check boxes and click *Delete*.

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**NOTE:** When the A and PTR type resource records are deleted, the corresponding PTR and A resource records are also deleted.

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## 4.4 Using the Java-Based Management Console to Configure DNS

This section provides information about configuring DNS, and importing and exporting database information by using the Java-based Management Console.

- ♦ “DNS Prerequisites” on page 95
- ♦ “Logging In to the Tree for DNS Setup” on page 95
- ♦ “DNS Server Management” on page 96
- ♦ “Zone Management” on page 100
- ♦ “Resource Record Management” on page 104
- ♦ “Command Line Options” on page 105

### 4.4.1 DNS Prerequisites

Complete the following prerequisites before setting up DNS:

- ☐ Install NetWare 6.5 on the selected servers.
- ☐ Install the Novell Client™ software on client computers that will be used to administer DNS and DHCP.
- ☐ Install the Management Console on client computers that will be used to administer DNS and DHCP.

For detailed information about installing client software, refer to “[Launching the Java-Based Management Console](#)” on page 69.

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**NOTE:** You must use a client workstation that is bound to TCP/IP to use the Management Console. Using the Management Console on the client workstations that are bound to IPX-only networks results in Server objects being displayed as inactive, and also disables the *Start and Stop Service* button and the *Audit Trail/Event Log* buttons.

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**NOTE:** Options for DNS Key and dsfw - update policy will appear in NetWare DNS tab, but should not be configured. They are applicable for Linux DNS only.

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### 4.4.2 Logging In to the Tree for DNS Setup

In order to use the Management Console to configure the DNS objects, you must first log in to the tree that contains the DNS objects.


- 1 Right-click *Network Neighborhood* and select *NetWare Login* on a Windows client workstation where the Management Console is installed.
- 2 Under the *Login* tab, provide your username and password, then click *Advanced*.
- 3 To log in, enter the tree, context, and server names.
- 4 Click *OK*.

### 4.4.3 DNS Server Management

DNS Server Management involves the following tasks:

- ♦ “Creating a DNS Server Object” on page 96
- ♦ “Viewing or Modifying a DNS Server Object” on page 96
- ♦ “Deleting a DNS Server” on page 98
- ♦ “Starting or Stopping a DNS Server” on page 98
- ♦ “Configuring DNS Auditing” on page 98
- ♦ “Viewing or Saving the DNS Audit Trail Log” on page 98
- ♦ “Viewing or Saving the DNS Event Log” on page 99
- ♦ “Moving a DNS Server” on page 99

#### Creating a DNS Server Object

- 1 Click the *DNS Service* tab of the Management Console, if necessary.
- 2 Click *Create*  on the toolbar.
- 3 Select *DNS Server* in the *Create New DNS Object* dialog box, then click *OK*.  
The Create New DNS Server dialog box is displayed, prompting you to select an NCP Server object.
- 4 Specify the desired server's name or use the browse button to select the server.
- 5 Specify the server's *Domain name*.
- 6 Click the *Define Additional Properties* check box to view the newly created server property pages.
- 7 Click *Create*.

The DNS Server object is created and displayed in the lower pane of the Management Console.

#### Viewing or Modifying a DNS Server Object

To modify an existing DNS Name Server object, click the object's icon in the lower pane of the DNS Service window to display detailed information in the right pane. A DNS Name Server object's detailed information window displays six tab pages:

- ♦ “Zones” on page 96
- ♦ “Forwarding List” on page 97
- ♦ “No-Forward List” on page 97
- ♦ “Options” on page 97
- ♦ “Control Lists” on page 97
- ♦ “Advanced” on page 97

#### Zones

On this page, the zone list contains a list of all zones and the role each zone serves for the selected DNS Name Server object.



To change the zone information, you must modify the specific Zone object. This information cannot be modified from the server page.

The *DNS Server IP Address* field is read-only and is received from the DNS Server.

### Forwarding List

This page displays a list of all forwarding IP addresses.

- ♦ To add an address to the list, click *Add*. Specify the IP address in the *Add Forward IP Address* field, then click *OK*.
- ♦ To delete an address from the list, select an *IP address* and click *Delete*.

### No-Forward List

This page displays a list of all domain names to which queries are not sent.

- ♦ To add a domain name to the *No-Forward* List, click *Add*. Specify the domain name into the *No-Forward Name* field, then click *OK*.
- ♦ To delete a domain name from the list, select the domain name from the list and click *Delete*.

### Options

This page allows you to configure audit and event logging. SNMP traps, maximum cache size, and max recursion lookups can be configured only for a new DNS Server. You can configure the SNMP traps options.

### Control Lists

This page displays various lists that can be configured to control the behavior of the DNS Server. You can configure the zone out filter, allow recursion, and query filter as address match lists. You can also configure the also notify and blacklisted servers as a list of IP addresses.

- ♦ To add an element to the address match list, click *Add*. Specify the element to be added and click *OK*.  
To delete elements from the list, select the element to be deleted and click *Delete*.
- ♦ To add an address to the list, click *Add*. Specify the IP address and click *OK*.  
To delete an address from the list, select the address to be deleted and click *Delete*.

### Advanced

This page displays all advanced configuration options. It displays the configured values and the default values for each option. The default value that is displayed is the value that the server assumes if it is not configured.


- ♦ To modify the options, click *Modify* and specify the new value, then click *OK*.
- ♦ To clear the configured values, select the option, then click *Clear*.

The allow-notify and listen-on options are multi-valued. You can also specify a port value, which is optional for listen-on.

- ♦ To add an element to the list, specify the address, then click *Add*. This populates the list with the new entry.

- ♦ To delete elements from the list, select the elements to be deleted, then click *Delete*.
- ♦ Click *Modify* to modify the configured elements.
- ♦ Click *OK* to populate the *Configured Value* column with the elements.

## Deleting a DNS Server


- 1 Select the DNS Server from the lower pane of the Management Console.
- 2 Click *Delete*  on the toolbar and confirm the deletion.

## Starting or Stopping a DNS Server

The DNS server (`named.nlm`) must be loaded before you can start or stop the server activity.


The Start/Stop service can be used to load zone data along with the modified configuration without unloading and reloading the DNS server. When you stop the DNS server using this option, it is still loaded in the memory. However, no services are provided. You can use the iManager Management utility or the Java-Based Management Console to update the zone data. When you restart the DNS server using this option, the server is reconfigured with the new configuration settings and the zone data is also reloaded.

This option can also be used to remotely start and stop the DNS server.

- 1 Select the DNS Server from the lower pane of the Management Console.
- 2 Click *Start/Stop Service*  on the toolbar.
- 3 Depending on the state of the DNS Server module, one of the following operations occurs:
  - ♦ Start action: If the DNS Server module is loaded but is in Stop mode, it is started.
  - ♦ Stop action: If the DNS Server module is loaded and is in Start mode, it is stopped.

## Configuring DNS Auditing

To configure a DNS server to audit activities:

- 1 Log in to the tree containing the service you want to begin auditing, launch the Management Console, then click the *DNS Service* tab.
- 2 Select the desired server to perform auditing, then click the *Options* tab.
- 3 Under Event Log, select *Major Events* or *All*.
- 4 Click the *Enable Audit Trail Log* check box.
- 5 Click *Save*  on the toolbar.


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**NOTE:** Auditing is supported for DNS servers running on prior versions of Netware 6.5 only.

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## Viewing or Saving the DNS Audit Trail Log

To view the audit trail log, `csatpxy.nlm` must be running on the server.

- 1 Log in to the desired tree, launch the Management Console, then click the *DNS Service* tab.
- 2 Select the server that has been configured to perform auditing, then click *View Audit Trail*  on the toolbar.

The Events Period-Audit Trail Log dialog box displays the start and end dates of the current audit trail log.

- 3 Click *OK* to view the audit trail log for the period displayed, or modify the dates as desired and click *OK*.

The audit trail log is displayed, showing the entry time, type, IP address, and domain name DNS transaction.

- 4 Click *Display Options* to select the time period to view or to view one or more specific transaction types.


The DNS audit trail logs the following types of transactions:

- ♦ Agent Ready: The Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP) agent is ready to receive or transmit requests.
- ♦ Query Received: The DNS server acknowledges receipt of a query by making an entry in the log file.
- ♦ Query Forwarded: The DNS server has forwarded a query to a client or another DNS server.
- ♦ Response Received: The DNS server has responded to a query from a client or another DNS server.

- 5 Click *Save* to save the audit log information.

## Viewing or Saving the DNS Event Log

To view the event log, `csatpxy.nlm` must be running on the server.

- 1 Log in to the desired tree, launch the Management Console, then click the *DNS Service* tab.
- 2 Select the server that has been configured to perform event logging and click *View Events/Alerts*  on the toolbar.

The *Events Period-Events Log* dialog box displays the start and end dates of the current Event Log.

- 3 Click *OK* to view the event log for the period displayed, or modify the dates as desired and click *OK*.

The events log is displayed, showing the entry time, severity, state, and description of each logged event.

- 4 Click *Display Options* to modify the time period to view or to view a specific event's severity and state.

The Display Options dialog box is displayed, enabling you to change the start and end dates, display one or more types of event severity, and view specific operational states.


- 5 Click *Save* to save the audit log information.

## Moving a DNS Server

This task enables you to move the DNS Services from one NCP server to another NCP server. You can also convert a DNS server to a cluster-enabled DNS server by moving it to a virtual NCP server.

This feature is supported for DNS servers running on NetWare 6.5 or later.

- 1 Select the DNS Server name from the bottom panel.

- 2 Click the *Move DNS Server*  icon on the toolbar.
- 3 In the Move DNS Server dialog box, select the NCP server that the DNS services will be moved to, then click *Move*.

#### 4.4.4 Zone Management

The following sections give details on zone management information.

- ♦ “Creating a Zone Object” on page 100
- ♦ “Creating an IN-ADDR.ARPA Object” on page 100
- ♦ “Viewing or Modifying a Zone Object” on page 101
- ♦ “Deleting a Zone Object” on page 102
- ♦ “Importing a Zone Object” on page 103
- ♦ “Exporting a Zone Object” on page 103

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**NOTE:** Forward Zones configured through iManager are not listed in the Java Management Console.

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##### Creating a Zone Object

The DNS Zone object is an eDirectory container object that comprises Resource Record Set (RRSet) objects and resource records.

To create a zone object:


- 1 Click the *DNS Service* tab of the Management Console.
- 2 Click *Create*  on the toolbar, select *Zone*, then click *OK*.
- 3 Click *Create New Zone* to create a forward zone.
- 4 Use the browse button to select the eDirectory context for the zone.
- 5 Specify a name for the Zone object in the *Zone Domain Name* field.
- 6 Select the *zone type*.  
Novell DNS servers act as primary or secondary depending on the zone type that you select.
- 7 If you select the zone type as secondary, specify the IP address of the master DNS server that will provide zone out transfers for this secondary zone.  
Select a DNS server to act as an authoritative DNS server for this zone.
- 8 Click *Create*.

A message is displayed indicating that the new zone has been created. If you have created a primary zone, you are reminded to create the Address record for the host server domain name and corresponding Pointer record in the IN-ADDR.ARPA zone (if you have not already done so).

##### Creating an IN-ADDR.ARPA Object

After you create a DNS server object, you can use the Management Console to create and set up an IN-ADDR.ARPA Zone object.

- 1 Click the *DNS Service* tab of the Management Console.

- 2 Click *Create*  on the toolbar, select *Zone*, then click *OK*.

The Create Zone dialog box is displayed. The default setting is to create a new, primary zone.

- 3 Select *Create IN-ADDR.ARPA*.
- 4 Use the browse button to select the eDirectory context for the zone.
- 5 Specify the network address in the *Network Address* field.

For example, specify 143.72.155 only for 155.72.143.IN-ADDR.ARPA.

After you specify the IP address, it is reversed and prepended to .INADDR. ARPA and reflected in the *Zone Domain Name* field.

- 6 Under the Zone Type, select *Primary* or *Secondary*.

If you select *Secondary*, you must specify the IP address of the DNS Name server that will provide zone out transfers to this zone.

- 7 In the *Assign Authoritative DNS Server* field, select a DNS server.

After you have selected an authoritative DNS server, the *Name Server Host Name* field is filled with the name of the authoritative DNS server.

- 8 Click *Create*.

## Viewing or Modifying a Zone Object

To modify an existing Zone object, click the Zone object to be modified in the left pane of the DNS Service window. A Zone object's detailed information window displays the following tab pages:

- ♦ “Attributes” on page 101
- ♦ “Zone Out Filter” on page 102
- ♦ “SOA Information” on page 102
- ♦ “Control Lists” on page 102
- ♦ “Advanced” on page 102

### Attributes

This page allows you to configure the zone type and zone servers.

- ♦ To change a primary zone to a secondary zone, click the secondary zone box and specify the IP address of the primary DNS server in the *Zone Master IP Address* field.
- ♦ To assign a server to the zone, select the server to which the zone should be assigned from the Available DNS Servers and click *Add*. The server is then displayed in the *Authoritative DNS Servers* field. To delete a DNS server assignment to a zone, select the server to be removed from the *Authoritative DNS Servers* field, then click *Remove*.
- ♦ To configure one of the DNS servers as the designated server for the zone, select the server from the *Designated Primary* field in the case of a primary zone. This server is responsible for DHCP updates for the zone.  
  
For a secondary zone, select the server from the *Designated Secondary* field. This server is responsible for receiving the zone-in transfers.
- ♦ You can enter new comments or modify existing comments for the zone.

## Zone Out Filter

This page allows you configure the zone out filters for the zone.

- ♦ To add an entry into the list, click *Add*.  
Specify the *subnet address* and the *subnet mask* for the network, then click *OK*.
- ♦ To delete the elements in the list, select the elements to be deleted, then click *Delete*.

## SOA Information

This page allows you to configure zone master, e-mail address, serial number, refresh, retry, expire, and minimum TTL values.

## Control Lists

This page displays various lists that can be configured for the Zone. You can configure the query filter, also notify, and allow update options.

The query filter and allow update options can be configured as address match lists.

- ♦ To add an element, click *Add*. Specify the element to be added, then click *OK*.
- ♦ To delete elements from the list, select the element to be deleted, then click *Delete*.

The also notify option can be configured as a list of IP addresses.


- ♦ To add an address into the list, click *Add*. Specify the *IP address*, then click *OK*.
- ♦ To delete an address from the list, select the address to be deleted, then click *Delete*.

## Advanced

This page displays all advanced configuration options for the zone. It displays the configured values for each option. If any option is not configured at the zone level, the default behavior is server-specific. The value configured for the zone will override the server value. If no value is configured at the server, then the default value specified for the server is used.

- ♦ To modify the option, click *Modify*, specify the value, then click *OK*.
- ♦ To add an element, specify the address, then click *Add*. This populates the new entry into the list.
- ♦ To delete elements from the list, select the elements to be deleted, then click *Delete*. Click *OK* to populate the *Configured Value* column with the elements.
- ♦ To clear the configured values for the options, select the option, then click *Clear*.

## Deleting a Zone Object

- 1 Select the Zone object you want to delete.
- 2 Click *Delete*  on the toolbar.

A warning message is displayed to confirm the zone deletion. You can also delete subzones by selecting the option from the message window.

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**NOTE:** Creation, modification or deletion of a Forward Zone is not supported.

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## Importing a Zone Object

Use the Import dialog box to convert BIND-formatted DNS files and transfer them into the eDirectory database.

To import a Zone object:

- 1 Click the *DNS Service* tab of the Management Console.
- 2 Click *Import DNS Database*  on the toolbar.
- 3 Specify the DNS BIND formatted filename in the field provided. You can browse to select filenames from the File Selection dialog box.
- 4 Click *Next* to select the context where the zone object should be created.
- 5 Click *Next* to select the server name that manages the zone.

You can select an existing DNS server or an NCP server where the DNS server object will be created. The selected DNS server must have DNS/DHCP services installed on it. If you select this zone type as primary, this DNS server will act as a designated primary; or if you select zone type as secondary, it will act as a designated secondary.


If you do not want to assign a DNS server for this zone at this point, leave this field blank.

- 6 Click *Next* to specify this zone type.

If you select the zone type as primary, Novell DNS servers act as primary servers for this zone; if you select secondary, they act as secondary DNS servers.

- 7 Click *Next* to view the configuration that you have selected.
- 8 Click *Import* to start the import operation.


If the import operation encounters any errors while transferring data, the *Details* button is enabled. Click *Details* to view the errors.

If some resource records are not transferred because of incorrect data, you can create them by clicking *Create*  on the toolbar.

- 9 Click *Finish* to complete the import operation.

## Exporting a Zone Object

Use the Export dialog box to copy the eDirectory database to a text file. The text file enables you to save the DNS zone data to BIND master file format files. These files can be imported to other applications, including BIND servers, or they can be imported back into the eDirectory database by using the Management Console.

- 1 Click the *DNS Service* tab of the Management Console.
- 2 In the DNS Service window, select the zone you want to export and click *Export Database*  on the toolbar.
- 3 In the Export - DNS window, specify the name of the destination file or browse to select a filename from the dialog box.
- 4 Click *Export* to export the database into a file.

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**NOTE:** Importing or Exporting a Forward Zone is not supported.

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## 4.4.5 Resource Record Management

- ♦ “Creating Resource Records” on page 104
- ♦ “Viewing or Modifying Resource Records” on page 105
- ♦ “Deleting Resource Records” on page 105


### Creating Resource Records

A resource record is a piece of information about a domain name that contains information about a particular piece of data within the domain.

Every domain name in the zone has a corresponding RRset object under that zone container object. An RRset is not created directly. Initially, when a resource record is created and is assigned a unique domain name within a zone, the corresponding RRset is created first; then, the RR is associated with the RRset.

If you select an existing RRset and click *Create* on the toolbar to create a new RR, the Management Console sets the new RR domain name to read-only and will assign the newly created resource record to the selected RRset. Resource records cannot be created in a secondary zone. All changes to the resource record data should be done at the master server; the secondary servers will receive the changes through zone transfers.

To create resource records:

- 1 In the DNS Service window, select the zone in which the resource record will be created. If you want to add another resource record to an already existing RRset, select that RRset.
- 2 Click *Create*  on the toolbar.
- 3 In the Create New DNS Object window, select the resource record, then click *OK*.
- 4 If you have selected an RRset, the owner name field is filled with the RRset name. This field does not need to be edited.

If you have selected a zone and want to create a new RRset, specify the domain name of that resource record in the owner name field.

The zone name part of the domain name will already be filled. Only the remaining portion need to be filled.

If you are creating a resource record to zone domain name, the owner name field does not need to be filled because the zone domain name is already present.

- 5 In the Create Resource Record window, select the RR type to be created.
- 6 Specify the required data for the selected resource record, then click *Create*.

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**NOTE:** Start of Authority (SOA) is defined as part of a Zone object attribute. A Pointer (PTR) record is created automatically when any new A resource record is created and if a primary INADDR.ARPA zone exists to which the IP address belongs. Similarly, an A type resource is created when any new PTR record is created and if a primary zone exists to which the domain name pointed by PTR record belongs.

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Several resource record types correspond with a variety of data stored in the domain namespace. For a list and description of resource record types, see [Section A.2, “Types of Resource Records,” on page 186](#).



## Viewing or Modifying Resource Records

When you select an existing resource record in the left pane of the DNS Service window, the detailed information for the object is displayed in the right pane. You can modify the resource record data and save changes by clicking Save on the toolbar.

You can modify resource record data and the associated comments for all resource records except the AAA, A6, SRV, LOC and HINFO records.

## Deleting Resource Records

You can delete one, more than one, or all resource records and RRsets, using the multi-select deletion feature in the Management Console. RRsets and resource records in a secondary zone cannot be deleted. They should be deleted from a primary server.

- 1 Click the *DNS Service* tab of the Management Console.
- 2 From *All Zones*, select the domain that contains the host or RRSet.
- 3 Select the item to be deleted.

You can delete either the entire RRSet or one or more resource records in the RRSet.

To delete one or more objects:

- ♦ Press the Shift key and select the objects.
- ♦ Click *Delete*.

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**NOTE:** When the A and PTR type resource records are deleted, the corresponding PTR and A resource records will also be deleted.

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## 4.4.6 Command Line Options

The following are the command line options that can be specified while launching the java-based Management console:

**Table 4-1** *Command Line Options for Java-based Management Console*

Option	Use
-c	Specifies the context in which the DNS/ DHCP locator object is present. When you use this option, you can eliminate the search for the DNS/DHCP Locator object, and the DNS/ DHCP Management Console starts more quickly.
-p	Specifies the port to which the audit and event log request will be sent. By default, the <code>csatpxy.nlm</code> listens on port 2000, so the Management Console also sends its requests to port 2000 by default. If you change the port used by <code>csatpxy.nlm</code> , specify that value here by using this option.
-s	Limits the administrative scope of the DNS/DHCP Management console. If you manage only objects under the <code>ctp.novell</code> context, you can set this option as <code>-s ctp.novell</code> and launch the management Console. With this option set, you can view only those DNS/ DHCP objects that are under <code>ctp.novell</code> eDirectory context.  Using this option might improve the server performance because not all DNS/DHCP objects are read. If you do not set this option, all the DNS/DHCP objects present in the tree are displayed.

Option	Use
-mx	Specifies the maximum heap size to be used by the DNS/DHCP management console. The default heap size is 64 MB. If you have a large amount of DNS/DHCP objects to be displayed, you can increase the maximum heap size by using this option. To specify 100 MB as the heap size, you can set this option as <code>-mx 100m</code> .

You can edit the target of the Management Console shortcut to permanently set these options instead of specifying them every time you launch the management Console. For example, you can set the above options by editing the target as shown below:

```
"C:\program files\novell\dnshcp\dnshcp.exe" -c dnshcp.novell -p 1000 -s ctp.novell
-mx 100m
```

## 4.5 Configuring DNS Features

This section describes the following procedures:

- ♦ [“Configuring Roles for Novell DNS Server” on page 106](#)
- ♦ [“Configuring a DNS Server to Forward Queries to Root Name Servers” on page 107](#)
- ♦ [“Configuring a DNS Server as a Cache-Only Server” on page 107](#)
- ♦ [“Configuring Child \(Sub\) Zone Support” on page 107](#)
- ♦ [“Configuring a Multi-Homed Server” on page 107](#)
- ♦ [“Configuring Dynamic DNS” on page 108](#)

### 4.5.1 Configuring Roles for Novell DNS Server

Novell DNS servers act in the following roles for a zone:

- ♦ Designated primary server
- ♦ Passive primary server
- ♦ Designated secondary server
- ♦ Passive secondary server

The role played by the server for a zone depends on the zone type. If the zone type is primary, the server acts as a designated primary or a passive primary. All servers that are managing a primary zone act as primary servers for that zone, and among all the primary servers, one server can be assigned as a designated primary server for that zone. All other servers are called passive primary servers. The designated primary server accepts dynamic updates for that zone. All primary servers respond to queries for this zone and notify slave servers of this zone about changes in data that can occur due to dynamic updates or changes by users.

If the zone type is secondary, the server acts either as a designated secondary or a passive secondary. All servers that are managing a secondary zone will act as secondary (or slave) servers for the zone, and among all of the secondary servers, one server can be assigned as a designated secondary server. All other secondary servers are called as passive secondary servers. The designated secondary server is the one who do zone-in transfer for the zone from the master server and writes the data into eDirectory.

To configure a server as a passive primary for a zone, specify the server name in the *Authoritative servers* field of that zone. Make sure this server name is not in the *designated primary* field.

To configure a server as designated primary, specify the server name in the authoritative servers field of that zone and select that server name from the designated primary field.

To configure a server as a passive secondary for a zone, specify the server name in the *Authoritative servers* field of that zone. Make sure this server name is not in the designated secondary field.

To configure a server as designated secondary server, specify the server name in the *Authoritative servers* field and select that server name in the *designated secondary* field.

To do this by using the iManager utility, see [“Viewing or Modifying a Zone Object” on page 90](#).

## 4.5.2 Configuring a DNS Server to Forward Queries to Root Name Servers

When you install NetWare 6.5, the root server information is automatically loaded into your system. No additional steps are required to configure your system to forward queries to the root name servers.

## 4.5.3 Configuring a DNS Server as a Cache-Only Server

A cache-only server should be located between the clients that require address resolution and any DNS name servers that communicate over the Internet. Configure DNS clients to forward their queries to the cache-only server, and configure the cache-only server to forward its queries to a DNS server (or servers) attached directly to the Internet.

To configure a server to function as a cache-only server, follow the instructions to create a DNS server in [“Creating a DNS Server Object” on page 81](#) or [“Creating a Zone Object” on page 100](#). After you create the DNS server object, do not assign it to any zone. Configure this server to forward its queries to a DNS server connected to the Internet. You can do this by specifying the DNS server IP address in the Forwarders option.

## 4.5.4 Configuring Child (Sub) Zone Support

If you create a child zone, you must configure the glue records to associate the child zones with the parent zone.

The parent zone should contain an NS record for the child zone domain name. If the child zone name server domain name belongs to the parent zone or the child zone, the parent zone should have an A record for that name server domain name.

When configured as described above, queries to the parent zone name server for names within the child zone are returned with the child zone’s referral records. The requester can then query the child zone’s name server directly.

## 4.5.5 Configuring a Multi-Homed Server

A multi-homed server is a server with more than one IP address. In an Internet environment, a multi-homed server is a single server connected to multiple data links, which might be on different networks.

If you have a DNS server with more than one IP address, and if you have specified one of the IP addresses in the listen-on option of the server, make sure the same IP address is used in the A record for the DNS server domain name.

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**NOTE:** An NS resource record specifies a domain name for an authoritative name server for the specified class and domain.

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## 4.5.6 Configuring Dynamic DNS

Dynamic DNS (DDNS) provides automatic updates of DNS with address and pointer records for addresses and hostnames that are assigned using the DDNS feature. To use DDNS, the following configuration must already exist:

- ♦ The DNS Zone object to receive DHCP updates must be created. For all networks that are served by the DNS server, the DNS zones must have reverse zones configured. For more information on configuring the reverse zones, refer to [“Creating an IN-ADDR.ARPA Object” on page 89](#) and [“Creating an IN-ADDR.ARPA Object” on page 100](#).
- ♦ Subnet Address Range objects that use the DDNS must be set to range type Dynamic BOOTP and DHCP or Dynamic DHCP.

To activate the DDNS feature:

- 1 Select the Subnet object of the *Subnet Address Range* on which you want to activate DDNS, then specify a zone in the *DNS Zone for Dynamic Update*.
- 2 Select the desired *Subnet Address Range* and ensure that the range type is set to *Dynamic BOOTP and DHCP* or *Dynamic DHCP*.
- 3 Set the DNS update option to *Always Update*.
- 4 Click *Save*.

## 4.6 Loading the DNS Server

After you have created and set up a DNS server object and DNS Zone objects, enter the following command at the NetWare system console:

```
load named
```

On a Linux\* system, the command is `/etc/init.d/named start`

After `named.nlm` is loaded, the DNS server can respond to queries. After creating the DNS server object, you can edit the `autoexec.ncf` file to uncomment the `named.nlm` load statement. This enables you to avoid the manual loading of the file every time you restart NetWare. For detailed information about `named.nlm` command line options, see [Section 4.7, “NAMED Command Line Options,” on page 108](#).

After `named.nlm` is loaded, you can use the management utilities to start and stop the DNS server. For information on starting and stopping the DNS server, see [“Starting or Stopping a DNS Server” on page 83](#) or [“Starting or Stopping a DNS Server” on page 98](#).

## 4.7 NAMED Command Line Options

All command line options for DNS server are optional.

If the DNS server is loaded without any options, default values for all of the options, wherever applicable, are used.

To start a DNS server, enter the following command at the server console prompt:

```
load named
```

Command line options can be specified in three different scenarios:

- ♦ Load: This is the first time the DNS server is loaded.
- ♦ Stop state: The server can be stopped by using the management utilities. The NLM remains loaded, but it supports only a limited set of services.
- ♦ Reload: The `load named` command can be issued repeatedly after a new load. After a new load, the `load named` command is used to issue command line options.

The command line options are listed in the table below.

**Table 4-2** *Named Command Line Options*

CLO	Syntax	Default Value	Load Support	Stop-State Support	Reload Support
Cluster Enabling	-v <i>volumename</i>	SYS	Yes	No	No
Debug	-dl <i>level-dc categories</i>	Global level =0 and all categories are enabled	Yes	Yes	Yes
DNS Port	-p <i>portnumber</i>	53	Yes	No	No
Dynamic Reconfiguration	-r on off	On	Yes	Yes	Yes
Fault Tolerance	-ft on off	On	Yes	No	No
Force Zone-in	-zi <i>zonename</i>	NA	No	No	Yes
Number of CPUs	-n <i>number of cpus</i>	1	Yes	No	No
Purge all Cache	-pa	NA	No	No	Yes
Replace Characters	-rp <i>character</i>	NA	Yes	Yes	Yes
Screen Logging	-s	NA	Yes	Yes	Yes
Server Statistics	-mstats -qstats	NA	No	Yes	Yes
Usage Display	-?	NA	Yes	Yes	Yes
Zone Information	-info [ <i>file_name</i> ]	NA	No	No	Yes
Journal Log File Size Limit	-jsize <i>size in Kilo Bytes</i>	NA	Yes	Yes	Yes

Some command line options can be specified only at load time. These options control the behavior that can be set only once for a particular running session (load, followed by multiple reloads, and finally the unload) of the DNS server. If you specify an invalid value for such an option at the load time, the server exits, because after the server is up and running, these options cannot be used again.

These options are ignored at reload time or when the server is in the stop state. However, the server comes up if the options are also available in reload because the user can set the desired behavior later.

**Syntax:** `named [-dc categories] [-dl debuglevel] [-ft on|off] [-jsize] [-info] [-mstats] [-n no_of_cpus] [-p port_no] [-pa] [-qstats] [-r on|off] [-rp character] [-s] [-v volumename] [-zi zonename] [-?]`

## 4.7.1 Description of Command Line Options

**Usage Syntax:** `-?`

**Cluster Enabling Syntax:** `-v volume_name`

By default, the DNS server uses the `sys:` volume to store backup zone files, journal files, and other files.

This option enables clustering, by providing a volume other than `sys:`. The volume name specified as the argument should exist and be mounted on the NetWare server.

Example: Load `named -v new_volume`

If `new_volume` exists and is mounted on the NetWare server, the DNS server stores all files to this volume. For example, the log file `named.run` is created at `new_volume:named.run` and the zone data files are stored at `new_volume:etc\dns\*.db`.

**Debugging Categories Syntax:** `-dc categories`

Logging is enabled for the categories specified with this option. For all other categories, no information is logged. When you specify the value `all`, logging is enabled for all the categories. By default, logging is enabled for all categories with the current debugging level as specified by the `-dl` option.

**Table 4-3** *Command Line Description*

Category	Abbreviation	Description
Default	d	Defines the logging options for those categories where no specific configuration has been defined
General	g	Many things are not classified into categories, and they are placed here
Config	c	Configuration file parsing and processing
Notify	n	The notify protocol
Database	D	Messages relating to the databases used internally by the name server to store zone and cache data
Security	s	Approval and denial of requests
Resolver	r	DNS resolution, such as the recursive lookups performed on behalf of clients by a caching name server
Xfer-in	xi	Zone transfers the server is receiving

Category	Abbreviation	Description
Xfer-out	xo	Zone transfers the server is sending
Dispatch	di	Dispatches incoming packets to the server modules where they will be processed
Lame-servers	l	Misconfigurations in remote servers, discovered when trying to query those servers during resolution
Client	C	Processing of client requests
Network	N	Network operations
Update	u	Dynamic updates
Queries	q	Query related information
Unmatched	un	Messages that named was unable to determine the class of or for which there was no matching view
Novell-specific	nov	Log messages for fault tolerance, dynamic reconfiguration, eDirectory interaction, start server, stop server, proprietary DDNS, and Audit/Event
Oldconfig	o	Backward compatibility
ALL	all	Enable all categories

**Debugging Level Syntax:** `-dl level`

This option sets the level of information to be logged. If `-dl` is given 0 as the input, the debug messages of type information (level -1)/notice/warning/error/critical (level -5) are logged for all categories. For a positive level, for example *n*, all debug messages up to level *n* are logged.

It is recommended that the debug level should be less (not more than +2) while running named in a live environment because this impacts the server performance.

The default value for logging is notice [-2]. Only critical and error messages are displayed on the named screen. All other messages are logged in *volume\_name*:`\named.run` file, where *volume\_name* is the volume that is specified with `-v` option. The default volume is `sys:`.

**DNS Port Syntax:** `-p port_number`

The port specified in this option is used by the DNS server to listen for queries. The values for this option can be in the range 1-65535. The default port number is 53. This option is ignored if it is specified at the reload or in the stop state.

**Dynamic Reconfiguration Syntax:** `-r on|off`

If dynamic reconfiguration is enabled, the DNS server periodically checks the configuration data for the server and zones. As part of this activity, it will automatically detects added, deleted, and modified zones. This option has no effect on periodically checking the directory for changes in the zone data. Even if the dynamic reconfiguration is set to off, periodic detection of zone data will occur. The default period for dynamic reconfiguration is 15 minutes.

**Fault Tolerance Syntax:** `-ft on|off`

When this option is set to on, the DNS server can start by using the backup files if eDirectory is inaccessible. If off is specified for a new load, the DNS server will not service the zones for which eDirectory is not available.

**Force Zone-In Syntax:** `-zi zone_name`

Zone transfers can be initiated by using this option for secondary zones. The domain name of the zone should be specified as the argument to the command line option. Force zone-in is only initiated if the zone is secondary and the DNS server is a designated secondary server for the zone. This option is ignored in the Stop mode or fresh load.

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**NOTE:** Force Zone-In is not supported on Linux.

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**Number of CPUs Syntax:** `-n number_of_cpus`

Specifies the number of CPUs available. The default value is 1 and the maximum value that can be specified is 32.

**Replace Characters Syntax:** `-rp characters`

A set of characters that are not allowed in the hostnames. The current list is `~!@#%$%^&*+=?`";'<>\()[]{}|`. This option can be used to add characters to this list. If these characters are found in the hostnames, the DNS server replaces these characters with a dash (-) before storing them in eDirectory. This option is included for backward compatibility and only allows adding one more character to the existing list.

**Memory Statistics Syntax:** `-mstats`

This option saves the memory usage information for the DNS server to a file `named.mem` in the `volume_name:sys\etc\` directory. This information is very important to determine the load on the DNS server.

`Named.mem` contains information for each memory pool. The following information is saved to the `named.mem` file.

- ♦ Name of the memory pool
- ♦ Size of each item in the pool
- ♦ Maximum number of items allowed
- ♦ Number of items currently allocated
- ♦ Number of items in the reserved list
- ♦ Number of items allowed in the free list
- ♦ Number of items to fetch in each fill
- ♦ Number of requests to this pool
- ♦ Pool locked YES (Y)/NO (N)

**Query Statistics Syntax:** `-qstats`



This option saves the DNS server query statistics information to `volume_name:etc\dns\named.sta`. This information is similar to the memory statistics information and helps to determine the load on the DNS server. Using this information, the DNS server can be configured for better performance. The following information is saved to the `named.sta` file:

- ♦ Number of queries answered successfully
- ♦ Number of queries referred to other servers
- ♦ Number of queries that were replied with non-existent RRset error code
- ♦ Number of queries that were replied with non-existent domain error code
- ♦ Number of queries that caused recursion
- ♦ Number of queries that failed

**Purge All Cache Syntax:** `-pa`

This option causes the server to purge all cache maintained in it.

**Screen Logging Syntax:** `-s`

Displays the log information on the named screen along with the `named.run` file.

**Zone Information Syntax:** `-info info_file`

This option provides information about the zones that are currently loaded in the server.

The syntax of the information is: Zone `ZONE_NAME` of type `MASTER/SLAVE` has `N` nodes and `SOA sr no, is SOA_SR_NO`

This information is saved to the file, if specified in the command line. Otherwise, it is displayed on the console screen.

**Restricting Journal Log File Size Syntax:** `- jsize Size in Kilo Bytes`

The journal log file is used by the DNS servers for incremental zone transfers, and the size of the file increases based on the changes made. By default, there is no restriction on the size of a journal log file. This option can be used to specify the size (in KB) of the journal log file.

During dynamic reconfiguration, the journal log file is deleted if its size exceeds the specified amount. Because the journal log files are deleted only on the lapse of the dynamic reconfiguration interval (minimum 10 minutes and maximum of 1 day), adequate size must be allocated for the journal log files.

Example. Named `-jsize 5000`.

During dynamic reconfiguration, this command deletes all the journal log files exceeding 5000 KB (or 5 MB).



# Configuring DHCP

# 5

This section provides information about the following:

- ♦ [Section 5.1, “Configuring Clients to Use DHCP,” on page 115](#)
- ♦ [Section 5.2, “Logging In to the Tree for DHCP Setup,” on page 115](#)
- ♦ [Section 5.3, “Using the iManager Utility to Configure DHCP,” on page 116](#)
- ♦ [Section 5.4, “Using the Java-Based Management Console to Configure DHCP,” on page 131](#)
- ♦ [Section 5.5, “Configuring Multiple Logical Networks,” on page 143](#)
- ♦ [Section 5.6, “Loading the DHCP Server,” on page 143](#)
- ♦ [Section 5.7, “DHCP SRVR Command Line Options,” on page 144](#)
- ♦ [Section 5.8, “Monitoring DHCP,” on page 144](#)

## 5.1 Configuring Clients to Use DHCP

To configure Windows NT and Windows 95/98/2000/XP client workstations to use DHCP:

- 1 At the client desktop, click *Start > Settings > Control Panel*, then double-click *Network*.  
The Network window is displayed, listing the network components installed on the client workstation.
- 2 Click *TCP/IP > Properties*.  
The TCP/IP Properties window is displayed.
- 3 Select *Obtain an IP Address Automatically*, then click *OK*.

The next time the client starts up, it sends a request to the DHCP server for an IP address.

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**IMPORTANT:** Client configuration settings override the configuration received from a DHCP server. The only exception is the hostname parameter set on the *DNS Configuration* tab of the TCP/IP Properties window.

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## 5.2 Logging In to the Tree for DHCP Setup

To complete the steps required to set up DHCP, you must first log in to the tree where NetWare® 6.5 is installed.

To log in to the server:

- 1 On a NetWare 6.5 client workstation on which you have installed the Management Console, right-click *Network Neighborhood* and select *NetWare Login*.  
The NetWare Client login dialog box is displayed.
- 2 Under the *Login* tab, provide your username and password, then click *Connection*.
- 3 Under the *Connection* tab, specify the tree, server, and context of the server on which NetWare 6.5 is installed, then click *OK*.

## 5.3 Using the iManager Utility to Configure DHCP

This section provides information about the following:

- ♦ “Scope Settings” on page 116
- ♦ “DHCP Prerequisites” on page 117
- ♦ “Global DHCP Configuration” on page 117
- ♦ “DHCP Server Management” on page 120
- ♦ “Subnet Pool Management” on page 124
- ♦ “Subnet Management” on page 125
- ♦ “Address Range Management” on page 127
- ♦ “IP Address Management” on page 129

### 5.3.1 Scope Settings

For better performance results with the iManager utility, particularly in a distributed DNS/DHCP setup, you should configure the DNS/DHCP scope settings for the session before you proceed with other administrative tasks.

If you do not configure the DNS/DHCP scope settings for the session, you will receive a warning before every task you attempt to perform indicating that the scope settings are not set. However, you can proceed with the task by ignoring the messages.

Setting the scope of the DNS/DHCP services involves two specifications for the session: the Novell® eDirectory™ context of the Locator object and the administrative scope of the session. Specifying the eDirectory context of the Locator object at the start of the session significantly improves performance because it eliminates the need to search for the Locator object. Specifying the administrative scope of the session also improves performance significantly because it restricts the retrieval of DNS/DHCP objects for viewing to the scope you specify.

When you configure the DNS/DHCP scope settings for a session, they last only as long as the session lasts. If you start a new session, you must configure the DNS/DHCP scope settings again.

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**IMPORTANT:** If you configure DNS/DHCP scope settings for a session for either DNS or DHCP, the settings apply across the session to both roles.

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To configure DNS/DHCP scope settings:

- 1 In iManager, click *DNS* or *DHCP* > *DNS/DHCP Scope Settings* to open the DNS/DHCP Scope Settings window.
- 2 Specify the eDirectory context of the DNS/DHCP Locator object.
- 3 Specify the eDirectory context of the container object that will provide the administrative scope of the current session.

If you specify only the eDirectory context of the DNS/DHCP Locator object and not the administrative scope of the current session, you can proceed with administrative tasks without receiving a warning message. However, performance is further optimized if you also define the administrative scope.

- 4 Click *OK*.

- 5 Click *Repeat Task* to configure the scope settings again.  
A message indicates that the scope request was successful.

### 5.3.2 DHCP Prerequisites

Complete the following prerequisites before setting up DHCP:

- ☐ Install NetWare 6.5 on the selected servers.
- ☐ Install Novell iManager.
- ☐ Install Internet Explorer 5.0, Internet Explorer 5.5 Support Pack 2, or Internet Explorer 6.0.

### 5.3.3 Global DHCP Configuration

DHCP (and BOOTP) options can be assigned at three levels:

- ♦ Globally
- ♦ At the subnet level
- ♦ At the IP address level

The DHCP server's options inheritance rules specify that options assigned at the lowest level override options set at a higher level.

The Global DHCP Configuration role consists of the following tasks:

- ♦ “Viewing or Setting Global DHCP Preferences” on page 117
- ♦ “Viewing or Setting Global DHCP Defaults” on page 118
- ♦ “Configuring DHCP Options” on page 118
- ♦ “Importing a DHCP Configuration” on page 119
- ♦ “Exporting a DHCP Configuration” on page 119

These tasks are available from the iManager interface.

#### Viewing or Setting Global DHCP Preferences

- 1 In iManager, click *DHCP > Global DHCP Configuration* to open the Global DHCP Configuration window in the main panel.
- 2 From the drop-down menu, select *View/Set Global Preferences*, then click *OK* to open the Global DHCP Preferences window.
- 3 Click *Modify* to open the DHCP Options window.
- 4 The DHCP options you can configure globally are listed in the *Available DHCP Options* list box. To configure an option:
  - 4a Select the option from the *Available DHCP Options* list box, then click *Add*.
  - 4b Specify the required supporting information as prompted.
- 5 Click *Done* to close the DHCP Options window.

The global DHCP option you added or configured is displayed in the *Global DHCP Options* list.

## Viewing or Setting Global DHCP Defaults

- 1 In iManager, click *DHCP > Global DHCP Configuration* to open the Global DHCP Configuration window in the main panel.
- 2 From the drop-down menu, select *View/Set Global Preferences*, then click *OK* to open the Global DHCP Preferences window.
- 3 Click *Next* to open the *Excluded Hardware Addresses* list in the Global DHCP Defaults window.

This list contains the MAC addresses of clients that should not receive IP addresses from DHCP servers. These exclusions apply to all DHCP servers in the eDirectory tree.

  - 3a Click *Add*, specify the MAC Address of the client, and then specify the hardware type.
  - 3b Click *OK*.
- 4 Click *Next* to open the *Included Hardware Addresses* list in the Global DHCP Defaults window.
- 5 This list contains the MAC addresses of clients that will receive IP addresses from DHCP servers.

Click *Add*, specify the MAC Address of the client, and then specify the hardware type.
- 6 Click *OK*.

The MAC address is added to the *Pooled (Included) Hardware Addresses* list. This assignment applies to all DHCP servers in the eDirectory tree.

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**IMPORTANT:** The *Excluded* and *Included Hardware Addresses* lists are mutually exclusive. You should configure only one of these lists and ensure that the other list is empty.

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## Configuring DHCP Options

The DHCP Options Table provides a list of parameters that can be defined for use on the network. After an option is defined, you can assign a value to the option by using Global DHCP Options.

### Viewing a DHCP Option

- 1 In iManager, click *DHCP > Global DHCP Configuration* to open the Global DHCP Configuration window in the main panel.
- 2 From the drop-down menu, select *View/Set Global Preferences*, then click *OK* to open the Global DHCP Preferences window.
- 3 Click *Next* three times to open the DHCP Options Table window that lists both the system-defined and user-defined DHCP options.
- 4 After you have finished viewing the options, click *Done* to return to the home page.

### Adding a DHCP Option

- 1 In iManager, click *DHCP > Global DHCP Configuration* to open the Global DHCP Configuration window in the main panel.
- 2 From the drop-down menu, select *View/Set Global Preferences*, then click *OK* to open the Global DHCP Preferences window.

- 3 Click *Next* three times to open the DHCP Options Table window that lists both the system-defined and user-defined DHCP options.
- 4 Click *Add*, select the DHCP option code, select the data syntax, add the description of the new option, then click *OK*.

### Deleting a DHCP Options

- 1 In iManager, click *DHCP > Global DHCP Configuration* to open the Global DHCP Configuration window in the main panel.
- 2 From the drop-down menu, select *View/Set Global Preferences*, then click *OK* to open the Global DHCP Preferences window.
- 3 Click *Next* three times to open the DHCP Options Table window that lists both the system-defined and user-defined DHCP options.
- 4 Select the option code, then click *Delete*.

### Importing a DHCP Configuration

The Import DHCP Configuration feature enables you to copy DHCP 2.0 and 3.0 user files into the eDirectory database.

- 1 In iManager, click *DHCP > Global DHCP Configuration* to open the Global DHCP Configuration window in the main panel.
- 2 From the drop-down menu, select *Import DHCP Configuration*, then click *OK* to open the Import DHCP Configuration File window.
- 3 Specify the eDirectory context or browse to select it.
- 4 Select the default *DHCP server* name from the drop-down menu.
- 5 Specify the name of the *DHCP configuration file* or browse to select it.
- 6 Click *OK*.

The DHCP subnet configuration information is displayed.

- ♦ To add an available DHCP subnet to the list of selected subnets, click *Add*.
- ♦ To include all available DHCP subnets to the list of selected subnets, click *Add All*.
- ♦ To delete a selected subnet from the list of subnets, click *Remove*.
- ♦ To delete all subnets from the list of selected subnets, click *Remove All*.

### Exporting a DHCP Configuration

The Export DHCP Configuration allows you to copy the eDirectory database to a text file. The text file enables you to import DHCP subnet configuration data to other applications. You can also import the file back into the eDirectory database by using the iManager utility.

- 1 In iManager, click *DHCP > Global DHCP Configuration* to open the Global DHCP Configuration window in the main panel.
- 2 From the drop-down menu, select *Export DHCP Configuration*, then click *OK* to open the Export DHCP Configuration File window.
- 3 Add or remove DHCP subnet information:
  - ♦ To add an available DHCP subnet to the list of selected subnets, click *Add*.

- ♦ To include all available DHCP subnets in the list of selected subnets, click *Add All*.
  - ♦ To delete a selected subnet from the list of selected subnets, click *Remove*.
  - ♦ To delete all selected DHCP subnets, click *Remove All*.
- 4 Click *Download File* and save the file when prompted.
  - 5 Click *Done* to export the file.

### 5.3.4 DHCP Server Management

The DHCP Server Management role consists of the following tasks:

- ♦ “Creating a DHCP Server” on page 120
- ♦ “Viewing or Modifying a DHCP Server” on page 120
- ♦ “Deleting a DHCP Server” on page 121
- ♦ “Starting or Stopping a DHCP Server” on page 122
- ♦ “Loading or Unloading a DHCP Server” on page 122
- ♦ “Configuring DHCP Auditing” on page 122
- ♦ “Viewing the DHCP Event Log” on page 123
- ♦ “Viewing or Saving the DHCP Audit Trail Log” on page 123
- ♦ “Viewing the DHCP Event Log” on page 123
- ♦ “Saving the DHCP Event Log” on page 124

#### Creating a DHCP Server

Use the iManager utility to create and set up a DHCP Server object. A DHCP Server object can be created or located under any of the following objects:

- ♦ Organization (O)
- ♦ Organization Unit (OU)
- ♦ Country (C)
- ♦ Locality (L)

To create and set up a DHCP server object:

- 1 In iManager, click *DHCP > DHCP Server Management* to open the DHCP Server Management window in the main panel.
- 2 From the drop-down menu, select *Create Server*, then click *OK* to open the Create DHCP Server window.
- 3 Specify the name of the NCP™ server or browse to select it.
- 4 Click *Create*.

A message indicates that the new DHCP server object has been created.

#### Viewing or Modifying a DHCP Server

- 1 In iManager, click *DHCP > DHCP Server Management* to open the DHCP Server Management window in the main panel.



- 2 From the drop-down menu, select *View/Modify Server*, then click *OK* to open the View/Modify Server window.
- 3 Select the *DHCP Server* object from the drop-down menu.
- 4 Click *OK*.

You will be led through a set of steps by where you can modify the following parameters:

- ♦ **Subnet Address Range Serviced by this Server:** Displays information about the range of addresses that can be dynamically assigned by the server.
- ♦ **Subnet Serviced by this Server:** Displays information about the subnet to which the server can assign addresses.
- ♦ **Comments:** You can type comments about the DHCP server in this box. This parameter is optional.
- ♦ **Set SNMP Traps Option:** SNMP traps control DHCP server event trapping. Select from the following options:
  - ♦ **None:** Turns off SNMP traps.
  - ♦ **Major Events:** Traps only the critical events (default).
  - ♦ **All:** Traps both major and minor events.
- ♦ **Audit Trail and Alerts Option:** Auditing allows you to analyze the historical data and diagnose operational difficulties. Select from the following options:
  - ♦ **None:** Disables auditing.
  - ♦ **Major Events:** Audits only major events such as SNMP traps (default).
  - ♦ **All:** Audits all events.
- ♦ **Enable Audit Trail Log:** Select this to log audit trails and events.
- ♦ **Mobile User Option:** The DHCP server can be configured to support mobile users such as laptop users. Select from the following options:
  - ♦ **No Mobile Users Allowed:** Disables support for mobile users.
  - ♦ **Allow Mobile Users but Delete Previously Assigned Address:** Deletes previously assigned addresses while granting an address to a mobile user (default).
  - ♦ **Allow Mobile Users but Do Not Delete Previously Assigned Address:** Caches previously assigned addresses while granting an address to a mobile user.
- ♦ **Ping Address:** Select this to ping an address to ensure that the address is not in use before it is assigned. Enabling ping increases traffic on the network.

### Deleting a DHCP Server

- 1 In iManager, click *DHCP > DHCP Server Management* to open the DHCP Server Management window in the main panel.
- 2 From the drop-down menu, select *Delete Server*, then click *OK* to open the Delete DHCP Server window.
  - ♦ To remove all DHCP servers in the list, click the top-level check box, then click *Delete*.
  - ♦ To remove one or more DHCP servers, click the check box next to the server, then click *Delete*.

## Starting or Stopping a DHCP Server

- 1 In iManager, click *DHCP > DHCP Server Management* to open the DHCP Server Management window in the main panel.
- 2 From the drop-down menu, select *Start/Stop Server*, then click *OK* to open the DHCP Server Start/Stop Services window.
- 3 From the drop-down menu, select the server.
- 4 Click *OK*.
- 5 Depending on the state of the DHCP Server module, one of the following is displayed:
  - ♦ Failure notification message: This appears if the DHCP Server module (`dhcpsrvr.nlm`) is not loaded. In order to start the server, load the DHCP Server module through the system console.
  - ♦ Start button: If the DHCP Server module is loaded but is in Stop mode, click the button to start the DHCP server.
  - ♦ Stop button: If the DHCP Server module is loaded but is in Start mode, click the button to stop the DHCP server.

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**NOTE:** To use the Start/Stop DHCP service, load the `dhcpsrvr.nlm`.

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## Loading or Unloading a DHCP Server

This task enables you to load or unload a DHCP server.

- 1 In iManager, click *DHCP > DHCP Server Management* to open the DHCP Server Management window in the main panel.
- 2 From the drop-down menu, select *Load/Unload Server* and then click *OK* to open the Load/Unload Server window.
- 3 Select the *DHCP server*, then click *OK*.  
Depending on the state of the DHCP server, you are prompted to load or unload the NLM™
- 4 (Conditional) If the NLM is not loaded on the machine, you are prompted to load `dhcpsrvr.nlm` and the supported command line options are displayed. Enter the command line options to load the NLM with, then click *Load*.
- 5 (Conditional) If the NLM is already loaded on the machine, you are prompted to unload `dhcpsrvr.nlm`. Click *Unload* to unload it.
- 6 Click *OK* to complete the task.

When you click *Load* or *Unload*, the corresponding command is sent to the server. The success status in iManager indicates only that the command was issued to the server. This does not necessarily mean that the command execution was successful.

## Configuring DHCP Auditing

To configure a DHCP server for auditing, use the *Audit Trail and Alerts* option.

- 1 In iManager, click *DHCP > DHCP Server Management > View/Modify Server*.
- 2 Select the *DHCP server*, click *OK*, then click *Next*.
- 3 Click *Next*, click the *Enable Audit Trail Log* check box, then click *Done*.

## Viewing or Saving the DHCP Audit Trail Log

To view the audit trail log, `csatpxy.nlm` must be running on the server and the DHCP server must have been started at least once with a subnet assigned to it.

- 1 In iManager, click *DHCP > DHCP Server Management* to open the DHCP Server Management window in the main panel.
- 2 From the drop-down menu, select *Audit Trail Log*, then click *OK* to open the DHCP Audit Trail Log window.
- 3 Select the server from the DHCP Server drop-down menu.
- 4 If you want to filter the *Audit Period*, modify the start and end dates in the appropriate fields. Use the following date format:

mm-dd-yyyy

- 5 Click *OK*.

This opens the DHCP Audit Trail Log table, which lists the following data:

- ♦ Entry Time
- ♦ IP Address
- ♦ Type
- ♦ Status
- ♦ Hostname
- ♦ Hardware Address
- ♦ Client ID
- ♦ Lease Type

- 6 To define a view filter on the DHCP Audit Trail Log, click *Display Options*.

You can filter events on the following parameters:

- ♦ **Start Date:** Sets a start date for monitoring the DHCP audit trail.
- ♦ **End Date:** Sets an end date for monitoring the DHCP audit trail.
- ♦ **Transaction Type:** Manual, dynamic, automatic, exclusion, unauthorized or IPCP, and Fix Host Dynamic.

- 7 Click *Next* in the DHCP Audit Trail Log window.
- 8 Click the *Click here to Download File* link, then save the Audit Trail Log file on your local machine.

## Viewing the DHCP Event Log

To view the event log, `csatpxy.nlm` must be running on the server and the DHCP server must have been started at least once with a subnet assigned to it.

- 1 In iManager, click *DHCP > DHCP Server Management* to open the DHCP Server Management window in the main panel.
- 2 From the drop-down menu, select *Event Log*, then click *OK* to open the DHCP Event - Events Log window.
- 3 Select the server from the *DHCP Server* drop-down menu.

- 4 If you want to filter the *Audit Period*, modify the start and end dates in the appropriate fields.

Use the following date format:

mm-dd-yyyy

- 5 Click *OK*.

This opens the DHCP Event Log table that lists the following data:

- ♦ **Entry Time:** Date and time the event occurred.
- ♦ **Severity:** Severity of the event (critical, major, warning, and informational).
- ♦ **State:** State of the server (operational, degraded, and inoperative).
- ♦ **Description:** Description of the event that occurred.

- 6 To define a view filter on the DHCP Events Log, click *Display Options*.

You can filter events on the following parameters:

- ♦ **Start Date:** Sets a start date for monitoring the DHCP Event Log.
- ♦ **End Date:** Sets an end date for monitoring the DHCP Event Log.
- ♦ **Severity:** Severity level of the event (critical, major, warning, and informational).
- ♦ **State Settings:** Condition of events recorded (operational, degraded, and inoperative).

### Saving the DHCP Event Log

To view the event log, `csatpxy.nlm` must be running on the server.

- 1 In iManager, click *DHCP > DHCP Server Management* to open the DHCP Server Management window in the main panel.
- 2 From the drop-down menu, Select *Event Log* and click *OK* to open the DHCP Event - Events Log window, then click *Next*.
- 3 Click the *Click here to Download File* link, then save the event log file on your local machine.

## 5.3.5 Subnet Pool Management

The Subnet Pool object provides support for multiple subnets through a DHCP relay agent or BOOTP forwarder by identifying a pool of subnets for remote LAN address assignments.

The Subnet Pool Management role consists of the following tasks:

- ♦ “Creating a Subnet Pool Object” on page 124
- ♦ “Viewing or Modifying a Subnet Pool Object” on page 125
- ♦ “Deleting a Subnet Pool Object” on page 125

### Creating a Subnet Pool Object

- 1 In iManager, click *DHCP > Subnet Pool Management* to open the Subnet Pool Management window in the main panel.
- 2 From the drop-down menu, select *Create Subnet Pool*, then click *OK* to open the Create Subnet Pool window.
- 3 Specify a unique subnet pool name in the *Subnet Pool Name* field.
- 4 Specify the eDirectory context where the subnet pool record will be placed.

**5** Click *Create*.

A message indicates that the new subnet pool object has been created.

### Viewing or Modifying a Subnet Pool Object

- 1 In iManager, click *DHCP > Subnet Pool Management* to open the Subnet Pool Management window in the main panel.
- 2 From the drop-down menu, select *View/Modify Subnet Pool*, then click *OK* to open the View/Modify Subnet Pool window.
- 3 Select the *Subnet object* from the drop-down menu.
- 4 Click *OK*.

You can modify the Subnet Type configuration parameter. You can add a subnet to a subnet pool or remove a subnet from the pool.

- ♦ To add a subnet to a subnet pool, click *Add*, select the subnet, then click *OK*.
- ♦ To remove a subnet from a subnet pool, select the subnet, then click *Delete*.

### Deleting a Subnet Pool Object

- 1 In iManager, click *DHCP > Subnet Pool Management* to open the Subnet Pool Management window in the main panel.
- 2 From the drop-down menu, select *Delete Subnet Pool*, then click *OK* to open the Delete Subnet Pool window.
  - ♦ To remove all the Subnet Pool objects in the list, click the top-level check box, then click *Delete*.
  - ♦ To remove one or more Subnet Pool objects, click the check box next to it, then click *Delete*.

## 5.3.6 Subnet Management

You can use the iManager utility to create and set up a DHCP Subnet object for each subnet to which you will assign addresses.

A Subnet object's specific DHCP options and configuration parameters apply to the entire subnet and override global options.

The Subnet Management role consists of the following tasks:

- ♦ [“Creating a Subnet Object” on page 125](#)
- ♦ [“Viewing or Modifying a Subnet Object” on page 126](#)
- ♦ [“Deleting a Subnet Object” on page 127](#)

### Creating a Subnet Object

- 1 In iManager, click *DHCP > Subnet Management* to open the Subnet Management window in the main panel.
- 2 From the drop-down menu, select *Create Subnet*, then click *OK* to open the Create Subnet window.
- 3 Specify a unique subnet name.

- 4 Specify or browse to and select the eDirectory context where the new subnet record will be stored.
- 5 Specify a *subnet IP address*, a *subnet mask*, and the name of a default DHCP server in the fields provided.

The default DHCP server field designates the principal DHCP server for a subnet. This server is assigned all the address ranges created under the subnet, unless a different server is specified when the range is created. The default server is the only server that responds to BOOTP requests for the subnet.

- 6 Click *Create*.

A message indicates that the new subnet has been created.

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**NOTE:** The IP address objects are simultaneously created to exclude routing and broadcast addresses.

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### Viewing or Modifying a Subnet Object

- 1 In iManager, click *DHCP > Subnet Management* to open the Subnet Management window in the main panel.
- 2 From the drop-down menu, select *View/Modify Subnet*, then click *OK* to open the View/Modify Subnet window.
- 3 Select the *Subnet object* from the drop-down menu.
- 4 Click *OK*.

You will be led through a set of steps where you can modify the following parameters:

- ♦ **DNS Zone for Dynamic Update:** Specifies the DNS zone where dynamic updating occurs. The specified DNS zone is then notified of any changes to the subnet.
- ♦ **Domain Name:** Specifies the domain name that will be combined with the hostname received from the client computer. This name is given to DNS during the dynamic DNS update. The domain name must be part of the zone specified for dynamic DNS.
- ♦ **Subnet Pool Reference:** Specifies the subnet pool to be used by the subnet. This parameter setting is optional. Subnet pools enable the DHCP server to assign addresses to multiple logical networks on a single physical network. A subnet pool groups logical networks.
- ♦ **Default DHCP Server:** Specifies a default DHCP server that will assign address ranges for the subnet. This server is also the only server that responds to BOOTP requests for the subnet.
- ♦ **Comments:** You can type your comments about the subnet. This parameter is optional.
- ♦ **Lease Type:** Specifies the length of time for an address assignment. A lease type can be permanent or timed. Permanent leases never expire; the client is assigned an IP address for an indefinite period. Timed leases are defined in days, hours, and minutes. Timed leases expire, unless the client renews the lease.
- ♦ **Set Boot Parameter Options:** Select this to specify the server address, server name, and boot file name for the BOOTP service. This information, provided at boot time, includes the address and name of a server that the client can contact for a boot image, as well as a boot filename.

- ♦ **Other DHCP Options:** To configure an option:
  - ♦ Click *Modify* to open the DHCP options page that lists the available DHCP options.
  - ♦ Select the DHCP option and provide the necessary DHCP information.
  - ♦ To add an available DHCP option to the list of selected options, click *Add*.
  - ♦ To include all available DHCP options to the list of selected options, click *Add All*.
  - ♦ To delete a selected DHCP option from the list of options, click *Remove*.
  - ♦ To delete all DHCP options from the list of selected options, click *Remove All*.
  - ♦ Click *Done*.

To remove a DHCP option:

- ♦ To remove all DHCP options, click the top-level check box, then click *Delete*.
- ♦ To remove one or more DHCP options, click the check box next to it, then click *Delete*.

### Deleting a Subnet Object

- 1 In iManager, click *DHCP > Subnet Management* to open the Subnet Management window in the main panel.
- 2 From the drop-down menu, select *Delete Subnet*, then click *OK* to open the Delete Subnet window.
  - ♦ To remove all Subnet objects in the list, click the top-level check box, then click *Delete*.
  - ♦ To remove one or more Subnet objects, click the check box next to it, then click *Delete*.

## 5.3.7 Address Range Management

Use the iManager utility to create and set up Subnet Address Range objects for each pool of addresses you want to be dynamically assigned by DHCP. Optionally, the Address Range object stores the start of a hostname that can be assigned to clients when addresses are assigned.

The Address Range Management role consists of the following tasks:

- ♦ [“Creating a Subnet Address Range Object” on page 127](#)
- ♦ [“Viewing or Modifying a Subnet Address Range Object” on page 128](#)
- ♦ [“Deleting a Subnet Address Range Object” on page 129](#)

### Creating a Subnet Address Range Object

- 1 In iManager, click *DHCP > Address Range Management* to open the Address Range Management window in the main panel.
- 2 From the drop-down menu, select *Create Address Range*, then click *OK* to open the Create Address Range window.
- 3 Select the subnet where the address range will be created.
- 4 In the *Address Range Name* field, type the name of the subnet address range.
- 5 Click *Add Trustee*, then select the subnet address range from the list of address ranges displayed in the Subnet Address Range window.

This automatically fills the *Start Address* and *End Address* fields that specify the lower and upper limits of the range.

**6** Click *Create*.

A message indicates that the new subnet address range has been created.

## Viewing or Modifying a Subnet Address Range Object

- 1** In iManager, click *DHCP > Address Range Management* to open the Address Range Management window in the main panel.
- 2** From the drop-down menu, select *View/Modify Address Range*, then click *OK* to open the View/Modify Subnet Address Range window.
- 3** From the *Select Subnet* drop-down menu, select the subnet that contains the address range you want to modify.
- 4** From the *Select Address Range* drop-down menu, select the address range to be modified.
- 5** Click *OK*.

You will be led through a set of steps where you can modify the following address range parameters:

- ♦ **Range Type:** Indicates the range of addresses used by the DHCP server in response to requests from clients.

From the *Select Range Type* drop-down menu, select one of the following:

- ♦ **Dynamic DHCP:** A range of addresses used by the DHCP server to assign addresses to clients making only DHCP requests. If the *Dynamic DHCP* range type is assigned, the *DNS Update Option* parameter can be enabled. If *Always Update* is selected, the DHCP server updates DNS as dynamic addresses are assigned and released.
- ♦ **Dynamic BOOTP:** A range of addresses used by the DHCP server to assign addresses to clients making only BOOTP requests.
- ♦ **Dynamic BOOTP and DHCP:** A range of addresses used by the DHCP server to assign addresses to clients making either DHCP or BOOTP requests. If the *Dynamic BOOTP and DHCP* range type is assigned, the *DNS Update Option* parameter can be enabled. If *Always Update* is selected, the DHCP server updates DNS as dynamic addresses are assigned and released.
- ♦ **Dynamic DHCP with Automatic Host Name Generation:** A range of addresses used by the DHCP server to assign addresses to clients making only DHCP requests. The hostnames for this pool will be generated and specified into the DNS system. These hostnames are provided to clients as a DHCP option. If you select this option, ensure that you create the corresponding IN-ADDR.ARPA zone.
- ♦ **Excluded:** A range of addresses that is excluded by the DHCP server while assigning IP addresses.

If the *Dynamic DHCP with Automatic Host Name Generation* range type is assigned, the *Auto Host Name Starts With* parameter can be set. This parameter appends a unique integer to the hostname, generating a unique hostname for each client.

Additionally, the name of the DHCP server can be specified by selecting it from the DHCP Server drop-down menu.

- ♦ **Comments:** You can type your comments about the subnet address range in this box. This parameter is optional.



## Deleting a Subnet Address Range Object

- 1 In iManager, click *DHCP > Address Range Management* to open the Address Range Management window in the main panel.
- 2 From the drop-down menu, select *Delete Address Range*, then click *OK* to open the Delete Subnet Address Range window.
  - ♦ Select the subnet that contains the address range.
  - ♦ To delete all address ranges in the subnet, click the top-level check box and click *Delete*.
  - ♦ To delete one or more Address Range objects, click the check box next to it and click *Delete*.

## 5.3.8 IP Address Management

Use the iManager utility to create and set up any IP address objects to be assigned to specific devices or to be excluded from dynamic assignment. Create an IP address object for each device or address. Assigning a specific address to a client requires that you specify the client's media-access control (MAC) address or Client ID.

If you have set up subnets and subnet address ranges, you are not required to set up individual IP addresses unless you want to perform manual address assignment or exclude addresses from assignment.

The IP Address Management role consists of the following tasks:

- ♦ “Creating an IP Address Object” on page 129
- ♦ “Viewing or Modifying an IP Address Object” on page 130
- ♦ “Deleting an IP Address Object” on page 131

### Creating an IP Address Object

- 1 In iManager, click *DHCP > IP Address Management* to open the IP Address Management window in the main panel.
- 2 From the drop-down menu, select *Create IP Address* and click *OK* to open the Create IP Address window.
- 3 From the drop-down menu, select the subnet where the IP address will be created.
- 4 Specify the *IP address*.
- 5 Select an assignment type for the IP address object.

Assignment types for an IP address object are Dynamic, Manual, and Exclusion. If the IP address is dynamically assigned by the DHCP server, it is automatically displayed.

Valid types that can be created manually are *Manual* and *Exclusion*. A manual assignment type must have either a MAC Type or a Client Identifier in order for the IP address object to be created.

Client Identifier uniquely identifies the client.

MAC Type specifies the MAC address type.

MAC Address specifies the hardware address of the NIC (Network Interface Card).

- 6 Click *Create*.

A message is displayed indicating that the new IP address object has been created.

## Viewing or Modifying an IP Address Object

- 1 In iManager, click *DHCP > IP Address Management* to open the IP Address Management window in the main panel.
- 2 From the drop-down menu, select *View/Modify IP Address*, then click *OK* to open the View/Modify IP Address window.
- 3 Select the subnet that contains the IP address you want to modify.
- 4 Select the *IP Address*.
- 5 Click *OK*.

You will be led through a set of steps where you can modify the following IP address object parameters:

- ♦ **Assignment Type:** Specifies Exclusion or Manual IP address assignment types.
  - ♦ **Exclusion:** Address objects are created to identify IP addresses that should be excluded from DHCP server address assignment. An Excluded assignment type designates that the IP address will not be used.
  - ♦ **Manual:** Address objects are created to identify an IP address to be assigned to a device. A client identifier or MAC address must be configured for the manual address so that the DHCP server can identify the appropriate client. Manual assignment types specify client identifiers, MAC types, MAC addresses, or hostname parameters
- ♦ **Client Identifier:** Uniquely identifies the client.
- ♦ **MAC Type:** Specifies the MAC address type.
  - ♦ 15, Frame Relay
  - ♦ 16, Asynchronous Transfer Mode (ATM)
  - ♦ 17, HDLC
  - ♦ 18, Fibre Channel
  - ♦ 19, Asynchronous Transfer Mode (ATM)
  - ♦ 20, Serial Line
  - ♦ 21, Asynchronous Transfer Mode (ATM)
- ♦ **MAC Address:** Specifies the hardware address of the NIC (Network Interface Card).
- ♦ **Host Name:** Specifies the name of the host server.
- ♦ **Associated eDirectory Object:** Use this field to select another object in the eDirectory database to maintain a reference to. For example, identify a user who typically uses the device associated with this address.
- ♦ **Comments:** You can type comments about the address object in this box. This parameter is optional.
- ♦ **Lease Expiration Option:** A lease type can be permanent or timed. Permanent leases never expire; the client is assigned an IP address for an indefinite period. Timed leases are defined in days, hours, and minutes. Timed leases expire, unless the client renews the lease.
- ♦ **Last Used:** Displays when the IP address was last used.

- ♦ **Other DHCP Options:** Use this to add, delete, update, or specify default DHCP options for a manually assigned address type. Default is used to display DHCP options inherited from global preferences and the Subnet object that the address object is under.

### Deleting an IP Address Object

- 1 In iManager, click *DHCP > IP Address Management* to open the IP Address Management window in the main panel.
- 2 From the drop-down menu, select *Delete IP Address*, then click *OK* to open the Delete IP Address window. Select the subnet that contains the IP address.
  - ♦ To remove all IP Address objects in the list, click the top-level check box, then click *Delete*.
  - ♦ To remove one or more IP Address objects, click the check box next to it, then click *Delete*.

## 5.4 Using the Java-Based Management Console to Configure DHCP

This section provides information about the following:

- ♦ “DHCP Prerequisites” on page 131
- ♦ “Global DHCP Configuration” on page 131
- ♦ “DHCP Server Management” on page 135
- ♦ “Subnet Pool Management” on page 138
- ♦ “Subnet Management” on page 139
- ♦ “Address Range Management” on page 140
- ♦ “IP Address Management” on page 141
- ♦ “Command Line Options” on page 143

### 5.4.1 DHCP Prerequisites

Complete the following prerequisites before setting up DHCP:

- ☐ Load NetWare 6.5 on the selected servers.
- ☐ Load the Novell Client™ software delivered with NetWare 6.5 on client computers that will be used to administer DNS and DHCP.
- ☐ Install the Management Console on client computers that will be used to administer DNS and DHCP.

### 5.4.2 Global DHCP Configuration


This section describes the following tasks:

- ♦ “Viewing or Setting Global DHCP Preferences” on page 132
- ♦ “Viewing or Setting the Global DHCP Defaults” on page 132
- ♦ “Configuring DHCP Options” on page 133

- ♦ “Importing a DHCP Configuration” on page 134
- ♦ “Exporting a DHCP Configuration” on page 134


## Viewing or Setting Global DHCP Preferences

Use the Management Console to set global DHCP options. Setting the these options is not required to set up DHCP.


- 1 Click the *DHCP Service* tab of the Management Console.
- 2 Click *Global Preferences*  on the toolbar.  
The Global Preferences window is displayed, listing the code, option name, and value of any global DHCP options selected. Three other tab pages are available: Exclude Address, Include Address, and DHCP Options Table.
- 3 Click the *Global DHCP Options* tab, then click *Modify*.
- 4 The DHCP options you can configure globally are listed in the *Available DHCP Options* list box. To configure an option:
  - ♦ Select the desired option from the *Available DHCP Options* list box, then click *Add*.
  - ♦ Specify the required supporting information as prompted.
- 5 Click *OK* to close the DHCP Options window.  
The global DHCP option you added or configured is displayed in the *Global DHCP Options* list.

## Viewing or Setting the Global DHCP Defaults

To add a hardware address to the *Exclude Address* list:


- 1 Click the *DHCP Service* tab of the Management Console.
- 2 Click *Global Preferences*  on the toolbar.
- 3 Click the *Exclude Address* tab.
- 4 Click *Add* to open the Add Exclude Hardware Address window.
- 5 From the drop-down menu, select the hardware type of the client and specify the *MAC address* to be excluded.
- 6 Click *OK*.  
The MAC address is added to the *Exclude Hardware Addresses* list. This assignment applies to all DHCP servers in the eDirectory tree.

To delete a hardware address from the Exclude Address list:

- 1 Click the *DHCP Service* tab of the Management Console.
- 2 Click *Global Preferences*  on the toolbar.
- 3 Click the *Exclude Address* tab.
- 4 Click the MAC address to be deleted from the *Exclude Hardware Addresses* list.
- 5 Click *Delete*.


To add a hardware address to the Include Address list:

- 1 Click the *DHCP Service* tab of the Management Console.

- 2 Click *Global Preferences*  on the toolbar.
- 3 Click the *Include Address* tab.
- 4 Click *Add* to open the Add Include Hardware Address window.
- 5 From the drop-down menu, select the hardware type of the client and specify the MAC address to be excluded.
- 6 Click *OK*.

The MAC address is added to the Include Hardware Addresses list. This assignment applies to all DHCP servers in the eDirectory tree.


To delete a hardware address from the Include Address list:

- 1 Click the *DHCP Service* tab of the Management Console.
- 2 Click *Global Preferences*  on the toolbar.
- 3 Click the *Include Address* tab.
- 4 Click the MAC address to be deleted from the *Include Hardware Addresses*.
- 5 Click *Delete*.

## Configuring DHCP Options


The DHCP Options Table provides a list of parameters that can be defined for use on the network. After an option is defined, you can assign a value to the option by using Global DHCP Options.

To view a DHCP option:

- 1 Click the *DHCP Service* tab of the Management Console.
- 2 Click *Global Preferences*  on the toolbar.
- 3 Click the *DHCP Options Table* tab.


A list of both the system-defined and user-defined DHCP options is displayed.
- 4 After you have finished viewing the options, click *OK*.

To add a DHCP option:

- 1 Click the *DHCP Service* tab of the Management Console.
- 2 Click *Global Preferences*  on the toolbar.
- 3 Click the *DHCP Options Table* tab.

A list of both the system-defined and user-defined DHCP options is displayed.
- 4 Click *Add* to open the Define New DHCP Option window.
- 5 Select the DHCP option code, select the data syntax, add the description of the new option, then click *OK*.

To delete a DHCP option:

- 1 Click the *DHCP Service* tab of the Management Console.
- 2 Click *Global Preferences*  on the toolbar.
- 3 Click the *DHCP Options Table* tab.

A list of both the system-defined and user-defined DHCP options is displayed.

- 4 Select the option code, then click *Delete*.

## Importing a DHCP Configuration

You can use the Management Console to import existing DHCP configuration information. The DHCP information should be in DHCP version 2.0 or 3.0 file format.

- 1 Launch the Management Console by double-clicking the icon.
- 2 Click the *DHCP Service* tab.
- 3 Click *Import DHCP Database*.

The Import-File Input window is displayed, requesting the location of the DHCP database file.

- 4 Specify the drive and path to the DHCP database file, or use the browse button to navigate to the file.

After you select the file to import, the path to that file is displayed in the DHCP File window.

- 5 Click *Next*.

The Import DHCP - Subnet List window is displayed, listing each subnet found in the configuration file.

- 6 Select the desired subnet or subnets, then click *Add*, or click *Add All* to import all subnets on the list.

- 7 Select the *Subnet Context*, then click *Next*.

The Import window is displayed, indicating the subnet context and the subnets to import. (The subnet address and name are displayed on the list.)

- 8 Click *Import*.

- 9 The Server Input window is displayed, prompting you to select a default NCP server to manage the newly imported subnet.

- 10 Use the browse button to select the target server, then click *OK*.

## Exporting a DHCP Configuration

You can use the Management Console to export DHCP configuration information. You can also import the file back into the eDirectory database by using the Management Console.

- 1 Launch the Management Console by double-clicking the icon.
- 2 Click the *DHCP Service* tab.
- 3 Click *Export DHCP Database*.

The Export-DHCP window is displayed, requesting the filename.

- 4 Specify the drive and path for the DHCP database file, or use the browse button to navigate to the file.

After you select the file to export, the path for that file is displayed in the DHCP File window.

- 5 Click *Next*.

The Export DHCP - Subnet List window is displayed, listing each subnet found in the configuration file.

- 6 Select the desired subnet or subnets and click *Add*, or click *AddAll* to import all the subnets on the list.

7 Click *Export*.

The Export Status window is displayed, indicating the status.

8 Click *Finish*.

### 5.4.3 DHCP Server Management

This section describes the following tasks:

- ♦ “Creating a DHCP Server” on page 135
- ♦ “Viewing or Modifying a DHCP Server” on page 135
- ♦ “Deleting a DHCP Server” on page 136
- ♦ “Starting or Stopping a DHCP Server” on page 136
- ♦ “Configuring DHCP Auditing” on page 136
- ♦ “Viewing or Saving the DHCP Audit Trail Log” on page 137
- ♦ “Viewing or Saving the DHCP Event Log” on page 137

#### Creating a DHCP Server

Use the Management Console to create and set up a DHCP Server object. A DHCP Server object can be created or located under any of the following objects:

- ♦ Organization (O)
- ♦ Organization Unit (OU)
- ♦ Country (C)
- ♦ Locality (L)

To create and set up a DHCP server object:

1 Click the *DHCP Service* tab of the Management Console.

The Our Network object is the only object displayed on the Management Console's left pane.

2 Click *Create*  on the toolbar.

The Create New DHCP Object dialog box is displayed, enabling you to create a DHCP Server object, a Subnet object, or a Subnet Pool object.

3 Select *DHCP Server*, then click *OK*.

The Create DHCP Server dialog box is displayed, prompting you to select a server object.

4 Use the browse button to select a server within the context, then click *Create*.

The DHCP Server object is created and displayed in the lower pane of the Management Console.

#### Viewing or Modifying a DHCP Server

On the Server tab page, you can view the Subnet Address Ranges Serviced by this Server and Subnets Serviced by this Server. You can also type comments (up to 256 characters) about the server in the comments field. (Refer to “Creating a DHCP Server” on page 135 for information about

creating a DHCP Server object.) After a DHCP Server object has been created, you can double-click the server icon to display and modify detailed information about the DHCP Server object. The DHCP Server object's detailed information window displays two tab pages, *Server* and *Options*.


On the *Options* tab page, you can configure policies specific to this DHCP server. You can configure the *Set SNMP Traps Option* parameter for *None* (default), *Major Events*, or *All*. You can configure the *Set Audit Trail and Alerts Option* parameter for *None* (default), *Major Events*, or *All*. You can also set the *Enable Audit Trail Log* on this page (the default is not enabled).

You can also configure the *Mobile User Options* parameter on the *Options* tab page to the following:

- ♦ No mobile users allowed
- ♦ Allow mobile user, but delete a previously assigned address (default)
- ♦ Allow mobile user, but do not delete a previously assigned address


Another option available on the DHCP server *Options* tab page is *Ping Enable*. Use this option to have the server ping an address before the address is assigned to a device. This ensures that the address is not already in use. Pinging the address also increases network traffic.

### Deleting a DHCP Server

- 1 Select the DHCP Server from the lower pane of the Management Console.
- 2 Click *Delete*  on the toolbar.

### Starting or Stopping a DHCP Server

The existing DHCP Server object is displayed in the lower pane of the Management Console.

- 1 Select the DHCP Server from the lower pane of the Management Console.
- 2 Click *Start/Stop Service*  on the toolbar.
- 3 Depending on the state of the DHCP Server module, one of the following is displayed:
  - ♦ Failure notification message: This appears if the DHCP Server module (`dhcpsrvr.nlm`) is not loaded. In order to start the server, load the DHCP Server module through the system console.
  - ♦ Start button: If the DHCP Server module is loaded but is in *Stop* mode, click the button to start the DHCP server.
  - ♦ Stop button: If the DHCP Server module is loaded but is in *Start* mode, click the button to stop the DHCP server.

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**NOTE:** To use the Start/Stop DHCP service, `dhcpsrvr.nlm` must be loaded.


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### Configuring DHCP Auditing

You can configure a DHCP server for auditing by using the *Audit Trail and Alerts* option on the DHCP server *Options* tab page.


- 1 Log in to the tree containing the service you want to begin auditing, launch the Management Console, then click the *DHCP Service* tab.
- 2 Select the desired server to perform the auditing, then click the *Options* tab.
- 3 Select the type of auditing desired.



- 4 Click the *Enable Audit Trail Log* check box.
- 5 Click *Save*  on the toolbar.

### Viewing or Saving the DHCP Audit Trail Log

To view the audit trail log, `csatpxy.nlm` must be running on the server.

- 1 Log in to the desired tree, launch the Management Console, then click the *DHCP Service* tab.
- 2 Select the server that has been configured to perform auditing, then click *View Audit Trail*  on the toolbar.

The Events Period-Audit Trail Log dialog box displays the start and end dates of the current audit trail log.

- 3 Click *OK* to view the audit trail log for the period displayed, or modify the dates as desired and click *OK*.

The audit trail log displays the following information for each entry:


- ♦ Entry time
  - ♦ IP address
  - ♦ Type
  - ♦ Status
  - ♦ Hostname
  - ♦ Hardware address
  - ♦ Client ID
  - ♦ Lease type
- 4 Click *Display Options* to modify the time period to view one or more specific lease types.

The DHCP audit trail logs transactions are based on the following types of address assignment or lease:

- ♦ Manual
- ♦ Dynamic
- ♦ Automatic
- ♦ Exclusion
- ♦ Unauthorized
- ♦ IPCP

### Viewing or Saving the DHCP Event Log

To view the event log, `csatpxy.nlm` must be running on the server.

- 1 Log in to the desired tree, launch the Management Console, then click the *DHCP Service* tab.
- 2 Select the server that has been configured to perform event logging, then click *View Events/Alerts*  on the toolbar.

The Events Period-Events Log dialog box displays the start and end dates of the current event log.

- 3 Click *OK* to view the event log for the period displayed, or modify the dates as desired and click *OK*.

The events log is displayed, showing the entry time, severity, state, and description of each logged event.

- 4 Click *Display Options* to select the time period to view specific event's severity and state.

The Display Options dialog box is displayed, enabling you to change the start and end dates, display one or more types of event severity, and view specific operational states.

## 5.4.4 Subnet Pool Management

This section describes the following tasks:


- ♦ “Creating a Subnet Pool Object” on page 138
- ♦ “Viewing or Modifying a Subnet Pool Object” on page 138
- ♦ “Deleting a Subnet Pool Object” on page 138

### Creating a Subnet Pool Object

A Subnet Pool object is a logical group of related Subnet objects of the same type. A Subnet Pool object can be created or located under any of the following objects:

- ♦ Organization (O)
- ♦ Organization Unit (OU)
- ♦ Country (C)
- ♦ Locality (L)

To create a new Subnet Pool object:


- 1 Click *Create*  on the toolbar.
- 2 Select *Subnet Pool*, then click *OK*.
- 3 Specify a unique name for the Subnet Pool object.
- 4 Use the browse button to select the eDirectory context where the Subnet Pool object will be created.
- 5 Click *OK*.

After a Subnet Pool object has been created, you can select it and click the *Define Additional Properties* check box to display the detailed information window. From this window, you can add and remove Subnet objects for the Subnet Pool object. Only Subnet objects with the same range type can be added to a Subnet Pool object.

### Viewing or Modifying a Subnet Pool Object

Click *Add* to bring up a dialog box with a list of available Subnet objects (either LAN or WAN) to be added to the list. After a Subnet object has been added to the Subnet Pool object, its eDirectory distinguished name is updated in the Subnet object's Subnet Pool List attribute.

### Deleting a Subnet Pool Object

- 1 Click the *DHCP Service* tab of the Management Console.
- 2 Select the Subnet Pool object you want to delete.
- 3 Click *Delete*  on the toolbar.

## 5.4.5 Subnet Management

This section describes the following tasks:

- ♦ “Creating a Subnet Object” on page 139
- ♦ “Viewing or Modifying a Subnet Object” on page 139
- ♦ “Deleting a Subnet Object” on page 140

### Creating a Subnet Object

Use the Management Console to create and set up a DHCP Subnet object for each subnets where you will assign addresses.

- 1 Click the *DHCP Service* tab of the Management Console.

The Our Network object is the only object displayed on the Management Console's left pane.

- 2 Click *Create*  on the toolbar.

The Create New DHCP Object dialog box is displayed, enabling you to create a DHCP Server, Subnet, or Subnet Pool object.

- 3 Select *Subnet*, then click *OK*.

The Create Subnet dialog box is displayed. For each subnet you create, type the subnet name, eDirectory context, subnet address, and subnet mask in the fields provided. If you have set up a default DHCP server, its name is displayed and can be changed.

You can click the *Define Additional Properties* check box to provide more detailed configuration information, including DHCP options specific to each subnet.

- 4 Provide the required information, then click *Create*.

The DHCP Subnet object is created and displayed in the left pane of the Management Console.

### Viewing or Modifying a Subnet Object

After a Subnet object has been created, you can use the Management Console to display three tab pages of detailed information about the Subnet object, address, subnet options, and other DHCP options. (For information about creating a Subnet object, refer to “Creating a Subnet Object” on page 139.)

- ♦ “Addressing Page” on page 139
- ♦ “Subnet Options Page” on page 140
- ♦ “Other DHCP Options Page” on page 140
- ♦ “IP Address Utilization Page” on page 140

#### Addressing Page

This page displays Subnet Address, Mask, and Type attributes from information provided when the object was created. If you need to make changes to these attributes, you must delete the Subnet object and re-create it.

You can modify the subnet pool reference from the default (none) to the subnet pool to which this Subnet object is assigned.

If you plan to use Dynamic DNS, this is where you configure the DNS zone for dynamic updating (DDNS) and Domain name.

You can also modify the subnet's default DHCP Server on the Address tab page and type up to 256 characters of information in the Comments field.

### Subnet Options Page

You can configure lease types. A lease type can be permanent or timed. If you specify leases to be timed, specify the lease duration in days, hours, and minutes.

You also specify the settings for Set Boot Parameter options on the Subnet Options page.

### Other DHCP Options Page

The DHCP options can be configured from this page. Any options that are set for this subnet are displayed here. You can set additional DHCP options by clicking *Modify* which displays the Modify DHCP Options window. You can add DHCP options from the *Available DHCP Options* list.


Click *Default* to display the Default DHCP Options window, which lists all DHCP options and values configured for a subnet.

### IP Address Utilization Page

This page provides the details about the usage of IP addresses in a subnet, such as the total IP addresses, the utilized IP addresses, the available IP addresses, the excluded IP addresses, and the percentage utilization.

Click *Get Details* to view the IP address utilization details of the subnet.

### Deleting a Subnet Object

- 1 Click the *DHCP Service* tab of the Management Console.
- 2 Select the Subnet object you want to delete.
- 3 Click *Delete*  on the toolbar.

## 5.4.6 Address Range Management

This section describes the following tasks:

- ♦ “Creating a Subnet Address Range Object” on page 140
- ♦ “Viewing or Modifying a Subnet Address Range Object” on page 141
- ♦ “Deleting a Subnet Address Range Object” on page 141

### Creating a Subnet Address Range Object

Use the Management Console to create and set up Subnet Address Range objects for each pool of addresses you want to be dynamically assigned by DHCP.

- 1 Click the *DHCP Service* tab of the Management Console.
- 2 Select the Subnet object where you want to create the Subnet Address Range object, then click *Create*.

The Create New DHCP Record dialog box is displayed.

- 3 Select *Subnet Address Range*, then click *OK*.

The Create New Subnet Address Range dialog box is displayed.

- 4 Specify a name for the subnet address range, specify the starting and ending address of the range, then click *Create*.

If you click the *Define Additional Properties* check box, the range's detailed information window is displayed, enabling you to provide more detailed configuration information.

### Viewing or Modifying a Subnet Address Range Object

- 1 Select the object you want to modify.

This displays the objects in the left pane of the DHCP Service window.

- 2 Click the Subnet Address Range object.

This will displays its detailed information in the right pane.


- 3 You can modify the following range type options:

- ♦ Dynamic BOOTP
- ♦ Dynamic DHCP with Automatic Host Name Generation
- ♦ Dynamic DHCP
- ♦ Dynamic BOOTP and DHCP (the default)
- ♦ Excluded

You can also specify a DHCP server other than the default server for this Subnet Address Range object.

Refer to [“Creating a Subnet Address Range Object” on page 140](#) for information about creating a Subnet Address Range object.

### Deleting a Subnet Address Range Object

- 1 Click the *DHCP Service* tab of the Management Console.
- 2 Select the subnet address range you want to delete.
- 3 Click *Delete*  on the toolbar.

## 5.4.7 IP Address Management

This section describes the following tasks:


- ♦ [“Creating an IP Address Object” on page 141](#)
- ♦ [“Viewing or Modifying an IP Address Object” on page 142](#)
- ♦ [“Deleting an IP Address Object” on page 143](#)

### Creating an IP Address Object

You use the Management Console to create and set up any IP address objects to be assigned to specific devices or to be excluded from dynamic assignment. Create an IP address object for each such device or address. Assigning a specific address to a client requires that you specify the client's media-access control (MAC) address or Client ID.

If you have set up subnets and subnet address ranges, you are not required to set up individual IP addresses unless you want to perform manual address assignment or exclude addresses from assignment.

To create and set up an IP address object:

- 1 Click the *DHCP Service* tab of the Management Console.
- 2 Select the Subnet object of the target IP address, then click *Create*  on the toolbar.  
The Create New DHCP Object dialog box is displayed.
- 3 Select *IP address*, then click *OK*.  
The Create IP Address dialog box is displayed.
- 4 Specify the IP address to be assigned or excluded, select the assignment type, then click *Create*.  
If you select *Manual Assignment Type*, you must provide information for either the Client Identifier or the MAC Address fields. You can also specify the MAC Type by clicking in the field; the default is FF Any.

## Viewing or Modifying an IP Address Object

After an IP address object has been created, its detailed information window displays three tab pages: Address, Usage, and Other DHCP Options. (Refer to “[Creating an IP Address Object](#)” on [page 141](#) for information about creating IP address objects.)

- ♦ “[Address Page](#)” on [page 142](#)
- ♦ “[Usage Page](#)” on [page 142](#)
- ♦ “[Other DHCP Options Page](#)” on [page 143](#)

### Address Page

On this page, the *IP Address* field of the object is displayed in read-only format. You can set the Assignment Type parameter to Manual or Excluded, and you can specify a client identifier.

You can change the MAC type from the default FF Any to any of the following:

- ♦ 15, Frame Relay
- ♦ 16, Asynchronous Transfer Mode (ATM)
- ♦ 17, HDLC
- ♦ 18, Fibre Channel
- ♦ 19, Asynchronous Transfer Mode (ATM)
- ♦ 20, Serial Line
- ♦ 21, Asynchronous Transfer Mode (ATM)

You can type the IP address’s MAC address, hostname, and DNS domain suffix, and identify an eDirectory object to use a specific IP address on this page.


### Usage Page

This page displays the *IP Address Lease Expiration* option, which can be either *Permanent* or *Timed*. If *Timed* is selected, the year, month, day, hour, and minute that the lease expires is displayed.

## Other DHCP Options Page

DHCP options can be configured from this page. Any options that are set for this IP address object are displayed here. You can set additional DHCP options by clicking *Modify*.

### Deleting an IP Address Object

- 1 Click the *DHCP Service* tab of the Management Console.
- 2 Select the IP Address object you want to delete.
- 3 Click *Delete*  on the toolbar.

## 5.4.8 Command Line Options

See “[Command Line Options](#)” on page 105 for information.

## 5.5 Configuring Multiple Logical Networks

When you configure multiple logical networks, also known as virtual local area networks (VLANs), you associate each individual LAN or Subnet object with a Subnet Pool object. The Subnet object you associate with the Subnet Pool object can be created prior to creating the Subnet Pool object, or you can modify an existing subnet.

To configure multiple logical networks or VLANs:

- 1 Create a Subnet Pool object.  
For more information see “[Creating a Forward Zone Object](#)” on page 87.
- 2 Select a Subnet object or create and configure a new Subnet object.
- 3 Click *Subnet Pool Management > Modify Subnet Pool*, then add the subnet to the subnet pool where you want to associate the subnet object.
- 4 Click *OK*.
- 5 Repeat Steps 2 through 4 for each subnet you want to associate with the Subnet Pool object.

## 5.6 Loading the DHCP Server

- 1 Create a DHCP Server object.  
For more information, see “[Creating a DHCP Server](#)” on page 120.
- 2 Create a Subnet object, then assign a default DHCP server to it.  
For more information, see “[Creating a Subnet Object](#)” on page 125.
- 3 Specify the following command at the DHCP server console:

```
load dhcpserver
```

After you load `dhcpserver.nlm`, the DHCP server can respond to client requests and assign IP addresses. After creating the DHCP server object, you can edit the `autoexec.ncf` file to uncomment the `dhcpserver.nlm` load statement. This enables you to avoid manually loading the `dhcpserver` every time you restart NetWare. For information about other command line options, see [Section 5.7, “DHCP Server Command Line Options,”](#) on page 144.

After `dhcpsrvr.nlm` is loaded, you can use the iManager utility to start and stop the DHCP server. For more information on starting and stopping the DHCP server, see [“Starting or Stopping a DHCP Server” on page 122](#).

## 5.7 DHCP SRVR Command Line Options

To start a DHCP server, enter the following command at the server console prompt:

```
load dhcpsrvr
```

The command line parameters listed in the following table are also supported.

**Table 5-1** DHCP Server Command Line Parameters

Parameter	Function
-d1	Turns on a background screen log of DHCP packets
-d2	Turns on a background screen log of debug statements and DHCP packets
-d3	Turns on a background screen log of debug statements and DHCP packets and writes the log to the server's <code>\etc\dhcpsrvr.log</code> file
-h	Displays command line syntax
-py	Specifies the global polling interval in <i>y</i> minutes
-s	Forces the server to read from and write to the master replica

## 5.8 Monitoring DHCP

After configuring your DHCP servers and beginning to provide DHCP services, you can also perform auditing or generate SNMP traps.

Deciding which DHCP options to use depends on your implementation. See [“DHCP Options” on page 42](#) for information about available DHCP and BOOTP options.

- ♦ [Section 5.8.1, “Events and Alerts,” on page 144](#)
- ♦ [Section 5.8.2, “Auditing Server Activity,” on page 145](#)
- ♦ [Section 5.8.3, “DHCP SNMP Events,” on page 145](#)

### 5.8.1 Events and Alerts

You can configure the DHCP servers to maintain a history of server activity in the events log. Events are activities that are considered significant, such as loading or unloading the server or problems the server encounters. The events logged depend on the parameters set on the server.

You can configure DHCP servers to log major events, all events, or none (the default).

Event logs can be saved for future reference. When you are logging events, it is important to pay attention to the event log size. Event logs grow rapidly, especially if you are experiencing or researching problems. Event logs should be maintained or purged regularly to control the amount of disk space used. You can launch the CSAUDIT management utility by typing `CSAUDIT` at the server console.



See [“Viewing the DHCP Event Log” on page 123](#) for more information about viewing and saving the DHCP event logs using the iManager utility.

See [“Viewing or Saving the DHCP Event Log” on page 137](#) for more information about viewing and saving the DHCP event logs using the Java-based Management Console.

## 5.8.2 Auditing Server Activity

The audit trail log records a history of activity logged by DHCP servers. You can use the audit trail log to diagnose network trends. A DHCP audit trail includes a history of address assignments, including which host had an address during a given period of time, and a list of addresses that were in use when pinged.

See [“Configuring DHCP Auditing” on page 122](#) for information about configuring DHCP auditing using the iManager utility.

See [“Configuring DHCP Auditing” on page 136](#) for information about configuring DHCP auditing using the Java-based Management Console.

## 5.8.3 DHCP SNMP Events

Following are examples of DHCP SNMP events logged/trapped for SNMP event generation and the severity level that can be associated with them.

- ♦ [“Minor Events” on page 145](#)
- ♦ [“Warning Events” on page 145](#)
- ♦ [“Major Events” on page 145](#)
- ♦ [“Critical Events” on page 146](#)

### Minor Events

- ♦ A decline generated against an IP address.
- ♦ All logged file transactions have been reprocessed (operational).

### Warning Events

- ♦ An eDirectory update to the subnet failed, causing degraded operation (incomplete transactions are logged to a local file named `dhcplog.log`).
- ♦ SNMP recovered from an internal fault and the error code was logged.
- ♦ A subnet was not configured and addresses are not available, causing degraded operation.

### Major Events

When the `dhcpsrvr.nlm` is loaded and the server is operational and ready for LAN-based clients, the following events are logged or trapped for SNMP event generation:

- ♦ Found unknown subnets with prior records.
- ♦ The eDirectory objects are not synchronized.
- ♦ A DNS update for adding a resource record is dropped.

- ♦ A DNS update for deleting a resource record is dropped.
- ♦ An unknown zone with resource records have been found.

**Critical Events**

- ♦ The logger fails to open the recovery log file or is having difficulty in opening it (the server is inoperative).
- ♦ The main thread fails to process the lease expiration (the server is inoperative).
- ♦ The server detects a configuration change in the directory.

This section contains information for troubleshooting common problems you might encounter using DNS and DHCP.

- ♦ [Section 6.1, “DNS,” on page 147](#)
- ♦ [Section 6.2, “DHCP,” on page 164](#)
- ♦ [Section 6.3, “Console and Debug Logs,” on page 168](#)

## 6.1 DNS

This section provides the following troubleshooting information for DNS:

- ♦ [“Troubleshooting Checkpoints” on page 147](#)
- ♦ [“Common Installation and Upgrade Problems” on page 148](#)
- ♦ [“Common Configuration Problems” on page 149](#)
- ♦ [“Common Operational Problems” on page 152](#)
- ♦ [“Troubleshooting Windows 95 TCP/IP Problems” on page 159](#)
- ♦ [“Using the -F Command Line Option for Dninst.nlm” on page 163](#)
- ♦ [“Server Access to DNS/DHCP Locator Object Not Required” on page 163](#)

### 6.1.1 Troubleshooting Checkpoints

If you experience problems related to DNS or TCP/IP, try the following:

- ♦ Run the WINIPCFG utility (Windows 95/98) or enter `ipconfig` at the command prompt (Windows NT, 2000, XP) to determine your IP address, then ping your address from a functioning client.

If you do not receive a response, your client’s TCP/IP stack is not functioning. One of the following problems might exist:

- ♦ The client’s TCP/IP stack might be incorrectly configured.
  - ♦ The client did not properly receive an IP address from DHCP.
  - ♦ The IP address is already in use by another client.
- ♦ Ping an IP address on your local network.

If this approach fails, one of the following conditions might exist:

- ♦ The client you pinged is not operational.
  - ♦ The LAN is experiencing problems.
  - ♦ Your client’s TCP/IP stack is experiencing problems.
- ♦ Ping an address on a different network or on the Internet.

If this approach fails but the preceding steps were successful, the problem is probably related to your router or your client’s default router. If you are using DHCP, the default router configured for the DHCP server for each client is probably configured incorrectly.

- ♦ Verify name resolution within your network. Ping a domain name within your company's network.

If this approach fails, the default DNS server configured for your TCP/IP stack is invalid, or the DNS server is not functioning. If you are using DHCP, the DNS server that is configured on the DHCP server is not properly configured.

- ♦ Verify name resolution through the Internet. Ping a host on the Internet, such as novell.com.

If this approach fails, your company's DNS server (that forwards DNS requests to the Internet) is not functioning, or the Internet DNS server to which your DNS server forwards requests is not functioning.

In addition to using ping to troubleshoot DNS configuration problems, you can also use the nslookup utility at your server. For information on using this utility, see Nslookup in the NetWare 6.5 Utilities Reference.

## 6.1.2 Common Installation and Upgrade Problems

The following problems could occur during an installation or upgrade:

- ♦ "The installation for DNS/DHCP services completed with one of the following error messages:" on page 148
- ♦ "The installation for DNS/DHCP services completed with one of the following error messages:" on page 149
- ♦ "After you upgrade to NetWare 6.5, the DNS Server does not come up when you load the DNS Server with the ncf file" on page 149

### The installation for DNS/DHCP services completed with one of the following error messages:

The DNS master file RootSrvr.dat is invalid. The RootSrvrInfo zone object will be created with default values for the root servers' information.

The DNS master file RootSrvr.dat could not be found. The RootSrvrInfo zone object will be created with default values for the root server's information.

**Cause:** The RootSrvr.dat file, which is copied to the `sys:\etc\dns` directory during the installation, is corrupted or missing. This data file contains information about the DNS root servers and is required to populate the root server's information in the RootSrvrInfo zone object.

**Solution:** If the installation program cannot find or use this file, it creates the required zone object with default values. The installation process uses the default values for the DNS root servers. The contents of RootSrvrInfo zone object should be compared with the most recent information on the root server. Changes to this information can be made in the RootSrvrInfo zone object by using the DNS/DHCP management utilities.

**The installation for DNS/DHCP services completed with one of the following error messages:**

The preferences data file `NDDPrefs.dat` is invalid. The Locator object will be created with default values for the configuration preferences.

The preferences data file `NDDPrefs.dat` could not be found. The Locator object will be created with default values for the configuration preferences.

**Cause:** The data file `NDDPrefs.dat`, which is copied to the `sys:\system\` directory during the installation, is corrupted or is missing. This data file contains information for global configuration preferences. Currently, only the DHCP global options are configured by using this data file.

**Solution:** If the installation program is unable to find or use this file, it creates the Locator object with default values for these options. This information can be edited by using the management utilities. In the Management Console, edit this option by selecting *DHCP Service > Global Preferences*. This page allows you to delete and modify the existing DHCP options and to add new DHCP options.

In the iManager utility, edit these options by clicking *DHCP* under Roles and Tasks. Then click *Global DHCP Configuration > View/Set Global Preferences* from the drop-down list and click *OK*. The Global DHCP Options, DHCP Options, and DHCP Options Table pages allow you to delete and modify the existing DHCP options and to add new DHCP options.

**After you upgrade to NetWare 6.5, the DNS Server does not come up when you load the DNS Server with the `ncf` file**

**Cause:** While upgrading to NetWare® 6.5, if you have the command `load` named in the existing `autoexec.ncf` file, with any option that is not supported by NetWare 6.5, the DNS Server does not load automatically when the `autoexec.ncf` is executed after upgrading.

If you have an unsupported option in the `autoexec.ncf` file, the usage details are displayed on the logger screen.

**Solution:** In order to avoid this, before upgrading to NetWare 6.5, ensure that the `autoexec.ncf` file does not contain the `-m`, `-u`, `-l`, `-r`, `-f`, `-a`, `-b`, `-pc`, `-strict [on|off]`, `-s`, `-v`, or `-q` options. For information on DNS server options, see [Section 4.7, “NAMED Command Line Options,” on page 108](#).

## 6.1.3 Common Configuration Problems

If you experience problems with DNS, check for the following configuration problems.

- ♦ Check the consistency of glue records that are shared between parent and child zones. Make sure that the name server (NS) and Address (A) records within the parent zone match those in the child zone.
- ♦ Update the IP addresses of the root name servers configured in the RootServerInfo zone. Changes to this information are not automatically propagated through a domain; you must update them manually. The most recent update of root name server information is available through FTP at `ftp://rs.internic.net/domain/named.root`.

- ♦ Check the consistency between pointer records in the IN-ADDR.ARPA domain and other domains.
- ♦ If you change the IP address of a name server, ensure that the parent zone reflects that change.
- ♦ Verify that you have configured a name server to correctly service every zone.
- ♦ Verify that the zone transfers are occurring properly. Ensure that the secondary name server can identify the primary name server.
- ♦ If you cannot access a particular host, verify that the PTR records exist. When you create a zone, always select *Yes* when prompted to create a companion zone. If you have created a companion zone, verify that the IP address and hostname are correct.
- ♦ “Merging DNS-DHCP Services” on page 150

## Merging DNS-DHCP Services

You can use the DSmerge utility to merge two trees into a single tree. However, the merged tree continues to have two DNS/DHCP setups represented by two sets of DNS-DHCP base objects.

Each DNS-DHCP setup contains the following base objects:

- ♦ **RootServerInfo:** Contains information about all top-level domains.
- ♦ **Locator:** Contains lists of all the DNS and DHCP servers, zones (including RootServerInfo), subnets, and subnet pools, as well as the global definitions and configuration for the DHCP server.
- ♦ **Group:** Enables the DNS and DHCP servers to read/write data from/to eDirectory™. All DNS-DHCP objects have this Group object assigned as a trustee. The NCP™ server hosting the DNS or DHCP Services has a membership to the Group object.

A proper DNS-DHCP setup should have exactly one instance for each of the base objects.

You can use ConsoleOne® or iManager to merge the DNS-DHCP Services. If you choose to use iManager, complete the following steps:

- 1 From the Roles and Tasks menu, select *eDirectory Administration*.
- 2 Identify the set of final base objects (RootServerInfo, Locator, and Group objects) that are to be retained.

Retain the RootServerInfo that has latest information about the top-level domains. Retain the Locator object that has references to larger number of zones and subnets. Also, retain the Group object that is referenced by this Locator.

When you first select the final Locator object, it contains lists of references to some of the DNS-DHCP objects. The remaining DNS-DHCP objects are being referenced by the other locator object.

- 3 Copy the remaining references into the corresponding lists of the final Locator object.
  - 3a Copy the DNS Server references from the DNIP:DNSServers attribute of the other Locator object to the DNIP:DNSServers attribute of the final Locator object.
  - 3b Copy the DHCP Server references from the DNIP:DHCPServers attribute of the other Locator object to the DNIP:DHCPServers attribute of the final Locator object.
  - 3c Copy the Zone object references from the DNIP:DNSZone attribute of the other Locator object to the DNIP:DNSZone attribute of the final Locator object.

- 3d** Copy the Subnet object references from the DNIP:Subnet Attr attribute of the other Locator object to the DNIP:Subnet Attr attribute of the final Locator object.
- 3e** Copy the Subnet Pool object references from the DNIP:Subnet Pool List attribute of the other Locator object to the DNIP:Subnet Pool List attribute of the final Locator object.
- 4** For all DNS Servers, DHCP Servers, and Subnet Pool objects whose references were copied in **Step 3a**, **Step 3b**, and **Step 3e**, assign the final Group object as a trustee with the following rights:
  - ♦ All Attributes Rights: Supervisor
  - ♦ Entry Rights: Browse, Delete
- 5** For all DNS Zones and Subnet objects whose references were copied in **Step 3c** and **Step 3d**, assign the final Group object as a trustee with the following rights:
  - ♦ All Attributes Rights: Supervisor rights that can be inherited
  - ♦ Entry Rights: Browse, Create, and Delete rights that can be inherited
- 6** For the final Locator object, assign the final Group object as a trustee with the following rights:
  - ♦ All Attributes Rights: Supervisor
  - ♦ Entry Rights: Browse
- 7** For the final RootServerInfo object, assign the final Group object as a trustee with the following rights:
  - ♦ All Attributes Rights: Supervisor rights that can be inherited
  - ♦ Entry Rights: Browse rights that can be inherited
- 8** For all NCP Servers that have a reference to the other Locator object, you must change the reference to the final Locator object.
- 9** In the final Locator object, set the desired Global Preferences in the following attributes:
  - ♦ DNIP:Included MAC
  - ♦ DNIP:Excluded MAC
  - ♦ DNIP:Config Options
  - ♦ DNIP:CfgPreferences (this is required to be merged only if there are any user-defined options)
- 10** Delete the base objects that are not part of the final set of base objects identified in **Step 2**.

## Potential Issues

- ♦ If subnets corresponding to private IP addresses exist and there is an overlap among these subnets across the trees, the administrator must decide how to merge these subnets.
- ♦ If both the Locator objects have some user-defined DHCP options with the same option codes, and these options are configured at the Locator/Subnet/IP Address level, the administrator must make sure that the interpretation of these options do not change even after the merge.

## DNS/DHCP iManager Utility

The following configuration problems might occur while using the DNS/DHCP iManager utility:

- ♦ If you encounter the `Cannot access the LDAP server` error while configuring the Novell `exteNd Director™ 4.1 Standard Edition` by entering `http://server ip address/nps/servlet/configure` in the browser, ensure that the LDAP server is running. Also, set the `ldapTLSRequired` option to false.
- ♦ If you encounter the `HTTP Status 500 - Server Internal Error` error near the end of configuring `exteNd Director 4.1 Standard Edition`, stop Tomcat and Apache by entering `tc4stop` and `ap2webdn` at the server console. Restart Tomcat and Apache by entering `tomcat4` and `ap2webup` at the server console. Access iManager 2.5 by entering `http://serveripaddress:8080/nps/index.html` in the browser and click the iManager link at the top of the page.

### 6.1.4 Common Operational Problems

Internet RFC 1912 provides information about common errors found in both the operation of DNS servers and the data the DNS servers contain. The following information describes the most common operational errors.

- ♦ “DNS Server Memory utilization increases over a period of time” on page 153
- ♦ “Hosts cannot access a particular system. You change the IP address for this system recently, but the secondary name server has not yet been updated” on page 154
- ♦ “DHCP updates from a Novell DHCP server fail” on page 154
- ♦ “You cannot access a particular host” on page 154
- ♦ “You cannot access a host in a different domain by using its domain name, but you can access it by using its IP address” on page 155
- ♦ “Nonlocal hosts cannot find the primary domain server for a subdomain and, therefore, cannot access hosts in that subdomain” on page 155
- ♦ “A particular host cannot access other hosts” on page 155
- ♦ “Hosts cannot access an entire external domain” on page 155
- ♦ “A resource Record object change is not reflected in the server cache and the zone transfer fails” on page 156
- ♦ “The client is not assigned an IP address” on page 156
- ♦ “Problem in dynamic reconfiguration of DNS server (DNIP:DNS server object configuration changes in eDirectory. Add/remove zones (update zone data out-of-band) in eDirectory does not get updated to the server in-memory)” on page 156
- ♦ “Dynamic update request (2136) sent from a non-Novell DHCP server failed” on page 156
- ♦ “Dynamic Update (Novell proprietary update) sent from Novell DHCP servers failed” on page 157
- ♦ “Zone-out fails — Ten A type resource records are created in the `abc.xyz.com` zone hosted by a Novell primary DNS server (DNS server version 6.0 and above). The user waited for the time specified in the Novell Dynamic Reconfiguration option. The query to a Novell secondary server (prior versions DNS servers 6.0) for the newly created resource records is unsuccessful.” on page 157
- ♦ “The server does not listen to any incoming requests” on page 157



- ♦ “DNS server exits while loading” on page 157
- ♦ “DNS server exits in a clustered environment” on page 157
- ♦ “Error in creating, modifying, or deleting DNS-DHCP objects through the iManager utility for the first time (after exteNd Director 4.1 Standard Edition configuration)” on page 158
- ♦ “Novell Border Manager error when performing any DNS/DHCP operation using the iManager utility” on page 158
- ♦ “Disordered pages in DNS/DHCP iManager utility” on page 158
- ♦ “DNS/DHCP java-based console does not come up” on page 158
- ♦ “Forward Zones configured using iManager are not listed” on page 158
- ♦ “Error Messages with error codes 35082, 35088, 35323 and 35087” on page 158
- ♦ “Malformed Transaction messages on the server” on page 158

### DNS Server Memory utilization increases over a period of time

**Cause:** The Maximum Memory Cache size is by default set to 0, referring to an unlimited cache size. This indicates that records are purged from the cache only when the TTL for these records expires. The default value for the server to cache the ordinary or positive query cache (max-cache-ttl) is set to 7days and for negative query cache (max-ncache-ttl) it is set to 3 days. So depending on size of the zones being served by DNS Server and the query cache size, memory utilization increases over a period of time.


**Solution 1:** An increase in memory utilization can be prevented by configuring an adequate size for Maximum Memory Cache size, so that when the amount of data in the cache reaches the specified limit, the records in cache expire and the cache limit is not exceeded. By configuring a smaller value for the memory configuration options such as max-cache-ttl, max-ncache-ttl, and cleaning-interval, memory utilization can be controlled. These memory options can be configured by using iManager or the Java-Based Management Console.

To configure memory options by using iManager:

- 1 Click *DNS > DNS Server Management* to open the DNS Server Management window.
- 2 Select *View/Modify Server* from the list, then click *OK*.
- 3 All the configured DNS Servers are shown in the list. Select a DNS Server, then click *OK*.
- 4 Skip the Zone Information screen by clicking *Next*. The Forward List Information screen and the No Forward List Information screen can be skipped in the same manner.
- 5 Specify the size in *Maximum Cache Size* field. The size can be specified in terms of KB, MB, and bytes. Click *Next*.
- 6 Select the additional options to be modified and Click *Modify*.
- 7 To add an attribute to selected additional options, select the attribute from *Available Additional Option(s)* list and click *Add*.  
Select *cleaning-interval*, click *Add*, then specify the desired value. Repeat the process for the max-cache-ttl and max-ncache-ttl attributes.
- 8 Click *Done*.

To configure memory options by using the Java-Based Management Console:

- 1 Log in to the tree and launch the Management Console. The *DNS Service* tab is selected by default.

- 2 Select the server for which auditing must be performed, then click the *Options* tab.
- 3 Specify the size in *Maximum Cache Size* field. The size can be specified in terms of MB, KB, and bytes.
- 4 Click the *Advanced* tab. All the server attributes, along with their default value and configured value, are listed.
- 5 Select cleaning-interval, click modify and specify the desired value. Click *OK* to confirm.  
Repeat the process for max-cache-ttl and max-ncache-ttl attributes.
- 6 Click  to save.

**Solution 2:** Use command `named -pa` periodically on system console to purge the contents of the cache. This command cleans the cache and reduces the memory utilization.

### **Hosts cannot access a particular system. You change the IP address for this system recently, but the secondary name server has not yet been updated**

**Cause:** The Start of Authority (SOA) record's serial number was not properly incremented. Without the serial number increment, the secondary name server does not recognize when a change has been made. This is usually not a problem with DNS based on Novell® eDirectory™ because the serial number is incremented automatically. With UNIX\* systems, failure to increment the serial number is the most common cause of DNS errors. The secondary server does not automatically test for changes in the SOA record. Any changes in the SOA record must be accompanied by a change in the SOA record serial number.

**Solution:** Do not change the SOA record serial number manually with DNS based on eDirectory. If the primary server is not eDirectory based, you might need to change the serial number manually in order for the secondary server to recognize that a change has occurred.

### **DHCP updates from a Novell DHCP server fail**

**Cause:** The receiving DNS server is not a Designated Primary for the reverse/forward zones.

**Solution:** For dynamic updates from Novell DHCP servers, the targeted forward zone and its corresponding reverse zone should be serviced by the same DNS server in Designated Primary mode. This is to ensure that the DNS server is authoritative for both the forward and the reverse zones.

### **You cannot access a particular host**

**Cause 1:** When you created a new zone, the PTR records were not created or the PTR records have been deleted or changed.

**Solution 1:** When you configure a zone, always select *Yes* when prompted to create a companion zone. If you created a companion zone, verify that the IP address and hostname are correct. Checkers can easily catch neglected PTRs. For additional information, refer to RFCs 1537 and 1713.

**Cause 2:** The host is down or is unreachable.

**Solution 2:** Use the ping utility to locate the connectivity problem. If the problem exists in your domain, make the necessary repairs to restore connectivity.

**Cause 3:** The name server for that domain is not configured with information for the host.

**Solution 3:** Configure the name server for that domain with information for the host.

**You cannot access a host in a different domain by using its domain name, but you can access it by using its IP address**

**Cause:** The IP address or CNAME alias entry of the host's primary or secondary name server was changed, but the parent domain was not informed of the change. The address information in the glue record maintained by the parent domain has become invalid. Another possible cause is that the original address information in the glue record for the local zone is invalid or missing.

**Solution:** When you configure a new zone, always specify the IP address when prompted. Verify that all parent zones have the same address information.

**Nonlocal hosts cannot find the primary domain server for a subdomain and, therefore, cannot access hosts in that subdomain**

**Cause:** The IP address of a subdomain's primary server does not match the hostname and IP address configured in the parent domain for the subdomain's primary server.

**Solution:** Verify that the hostname and IP address for the subdomain's primary server configured in the parent domain is valid and matches the information configured in the subdomain.

**A particular host cannot access other hosts**

**Cause:** The `resolv.cfg` file (or equivalent) of the host does not contain the correct domain name or name server address.

**Solution:** Specify the correct domain name or name server address in the hosts's `resolv.cfg` file (or equivalent).

**Hosts cannot access an entire external domain**

**Cause 1:** The root name server information is invalid; therefore, the root servers are unreachable. For non-eDirectory systems running DNS, changes to this information are not automatically propagated through a domain; you must enter the changes manually.

**Solution 1:** Verify that the IP addresses of the root name servers configured in the RootServerInfo zone are correct. The most recent update of root name server information is available through FTP at <ftp://rs.internic.net/domain/named.root>.

**Cause 2:** The hostname or IP address was not resolved because the delegation to the zone is incorrect.

**Solution 2:** Configure the correct hostname or IP address information for the zone in eDirectory.

**Cause 3:** The hostname or IP address was resolved to the wrong value.

**Solution 3:** Change the hostname or IP address information for the zone to the correct value in eDirectory.

**Cause 4:** The name server information of the primary name server of the domain is incorrect or missing in the root name servers.

**Solution 4:** Verify that the domain is properly registered with the INTERNIC, which is the organization that configures the name server information of the domain.

**Cause 5:** The name server for the domain is down or is unreachable.

**Solution 5:** Use the ping utility to locate the connectivity problem. If the problem exists in your domain, make the necessary repairs to restore connectivity.

**Cause 6:** The root name server for the domain is down or is unreachable.

**Solution 6:** Use the ping utility to locate the connectivity problem. If the problem exists in your domain, make the necessary repairs to restore connectivity.

**Cause 7:** You do not have sufficient rights to access the zone.

**Solution 7:** Contact the network administrator for the zone and obtain sufficient rights to access the zone.

### **A resource Record object change is not reflected in the server cache and the zone transfer fails**

**Cause 1:** The Zone SOA serial number is not automatically updated after the change is made.

**Solution 1:** After you modify the Resource Record, change the Zone SOA serial number manually.

**Cause 2:** The server cache is not automatically refreshed after changes are made.

**Solution 2:** Unload the `named.nlm` module and reload it to refresh the DNS server settings.

### **The client is not assigned an IP address**

**Cause:** The DHCP server object is not properly configured.

**Solution:** Make sure you have created the DHCP server object, and at least one Subnet object and Subnet Address Range object each. Verify that when you load the DHCP server module, `dhcprvr.nlm`, a message from the NetWare® system console indicates that the IP database is loaded

### **Problem in dynamic reconfiguration of DNS server (DNIP:DNS server object configuration changes in eDirectory. Add/remove zones (update zone data out-of-band) in eDirectory does not get updated to the server in-memory)**

**Cause 1:** Frequently changing the server roles to passive primary from designated secondary.

**Solution 1:** Do not change the server roles to passive primary from designated secondary when the server is running. Although the server can recognize the changes in roles, there are some issues in synchronizing these roles.

**Cause 2:** The dynamic reconfiguration interval is not set properly.

**Solution 2:** Make sure that the dynamic reconfiguration interval is not set too high (20-24 hours) because this slows down the synchronizing mechanism. Also, setting this interval very low (less than 10 minutes) slows down the DNS query/update/transfer mechanism. The recommended value for this option is 15 minutes. The dynamic reconfiguration interval can be set through the management utilities.

### **Dynamic update request (2136) sent from a non-Novell DHCP server failed**

**Cause:** The value for the update filter is not set properly.

**Solution:** Set the ACL value of the update filter to the IP address of the DHCP server, or set the value to any. The value is set to none by default and all dynamic updates are refused by the DNS server. This can be set through the management utilities.

### **Dynamic Update (Novell proprietary update) sent from Novell DHCP servers failed**

**Cause:** A reverse (IN-ADDR.ARPA) zone does not exist for the corresponding forward zone update.

**Solution:** Verify that the reverse (IN-ADDR.ARPA) zone exists for the corresponding forward zone update. The logic for a Novell update is to first create/update the data (PTR resource record) in the reverse zone and then create the corresponding A record in the forward zone. If the reverse zone does not exist, the response is negative for a dynamic update request.

**Zone-out fails — Ten A type resource records are created in the abc.xyz.com zone hosted by a Novell primary DNS server (DNS server version 6.0 and above). The user waited for the time specified in the Novell Dynamic Reconfiguration option. The query to a Novell secondary server (prior versions DNS servers 6.0) for the newly created resource records is unsuccessful.**

**Cause:** The notify and transfer-format values are not set properly.

**Solution:** Ensure that the value for the notify option is set to Yes and the value for the transfer-format option is set to one-answer in the primary server (older versions of DNS servers support only the one-answer format of zone transfer).

### **The server does not listen to any incoming requests**

**Cause 1:** The address list in the query filter option is not configured properly.

**Solution 1:** Ensure that this attribute is configured properly in the DNS server and the DNS zone (the value specified in the DNS zone overrides the value specified in the DNS server). If this attribute is not set with any value, the default behavior of the server is to allow queries from all hosts. Ensure that the address of the specific client (the client that has requested the server) is set explicitly so that the address falls in an address range as specified in this attribute, or that the attribute value is set to any.

**Cause 2:** A query from a client fails because the client is unrecognized.

**Solution 2:** Ensure that the address of this client is not listed in the Blacklist server attribute.

### **DNS server exits while loading**

**Cause:** The DNS server is not registered with a valid IP address and port.

**Solution:** Make sure that the IP address and port combination allocated for the DNS server does not conflict with any other services running on the NetWare server.

### **DNS server exits in a clustered environment**

**Cause:** `ncssdk.nlm` is not loaded on the NetWare server (this NLM™ provides all of the required APIs for cluster support).

**Solution:** Load the `ncssdk.nlm` by entering `NCSSDK` at the server console.

### **Error in creating, modifying, or deleting DNS-DHCP objects through the iManager utility for the first time (after exteNd Director 4.1 Standard Edition configuration)**

**Cause:** The DNS-DHCP schema DNS-DHCP base objects (Locator, DNS-DHCP Group, RootServerZone Info) does not exist in eDirectory.

**Solution:** Extend the DNS-DHCP schema and create the base objects in eDirectory by entering DNIPINST at the server console.

### **Novell Border Manager error when performing any DNS/DHCP operation using the iManager utility**

**Cause:** Memory-intensive operations such as deleting a large zone, deleting a large number (1000 or more) of zones at the same time, or deleting 1,000,000 or more resource records at the same time.

**Solution:** Wait for a period of time to let these long operations complete. Use the ndstrace utility to track these operations. If no changes occur, click the *Refresh* button on the browser.

### **Disordered pages in DNS/DHCP iManager utility**

**Cause:** The display settings or resolution are not correct on the client's machine.

**Solution:** The typical screen resolution for running the DNS/DHCP iManager utility is 1024 x 768 or more.

### **DNS/DHCP java-based console does not come up**

**Cause:** The display settings or resolution are not correct on the client's machine.

**Solution:** The minimum screen resolution for running the DNS/DHCP Java-based console is 600 x 800 with at least 256 colors.

### **Forward Zones configured using iManager are not listed**

**Cause:** There is no support for Forward Zones in Java-Based Management.

### **Error Messages with error codes 35082, 35088, 35323 and 35087**

**Cause :**The reason could be eDirectory errors. For instance, the Remote eDirectory could be down when the DNS server tries to get zone data.

**Solution:** No action is required. The DNS server automatically recovers after eDirectory access is restored.

### **Malformed Transaction messages on the server**

**Cause:** This error is caused because of a heavy load during zone in. The error message is displayed on the designated secondary server.

**Solution:** This error message is informational and can be ignored. The server continues to function normally.

For example, error: malformed transaction: testzone.db.jnl last serial 20030412127 != transaction first serial 20030412192. This error message can be ignored.

## 6.1.5 Troubleshooting Windows 95 TCP/IP Problems

This section provides information about troubleshooting TCP/IP problems on Windows 95 clients. You should have a basic understanding of TCP/IP and how it is configured for Windows 95.

- ♦ “Using WINIPCFG” on page 159
- ♦ “Using Ping” on page 160
- ♦ “Using Tracert” on page 161
- ♦ “Using ARP” on page 162
- ♦ “Using Netstat” on page 162

### Using WINIPCFG

The WINIPCFG utility displays a client’s current TCP/IP configuration. To execute this utility, click *Start > Run*, type `wipcfg`, then click Enter.

If the client’s IP address was statically assigned and configured, the information that was entered under TCP/IP Protocols in the control panel’s Network settings is displayed.

If the client was configured to obtain an address by using DHCP, the information displayed was received from the DHCP server that assigned the IP address.

WINIPCFG provides the following information about the client:

- ♦ Network adapter address
- ♦ Assigned IP address
- ♦ Subnet mask
- ♦ Default gateway (default router)
- ♦ Hostname
- ♦ DNS Server

If the client has obtained an address from a DHCP server, click *More Info* to identify the DHCP server when the lease began, and when it expires. Four additional buttons provide the following functions:

- ♦ **Renew:** Sends a DHCPREQUEST to the DHCP server, updates the lease, and updates any assigned values such as a default gateway or DNS server.
- ♦ **Release:** Sends a DHCPRELEASE to the DHCP server, indicating that the client is giving up its IP address and that the server is free to assign that address to another client.
- ♦ **Renew All:** Sends a DHCPREQUEST to all network interfaces to which the Windows 95 client is configured.
- ♦ **Release All:** Sends a DHCPRELEASE to all network interfaces to which the Windows 95 client is configured.

If you want another IP address to be assigned to the client, select *RELEASE*, then select *RENEW*.

## Using Ping

Ping is the most basic utility available to test, verify, and troubleshoot TCP/IP connectivity within a network. Ping sends an ICMP packet to a specific host with a small amount of data and expects that host to respond with the same data packet. If you receive a response, both TCP/IP and connectivity between the two hosts are operational. If you do not receive a response, one of the following conditions exists:

- ♦ The host is not up.
- ♦ A router between the connections is not up.
- ♦ The client's TCP/IP stack is not functioning.

To run Ping, go to the command prompt and enter the command followed by a hostname or IP address, such as the following:

```
C:\> ping www.novell.com >
```

If TCP/IP is operational and connectivity exists between the hosts, you receive the following type of response:

```
Pinging www.novell.com [137.65.2.5] with 32 bytes of data: Reply from
137.65.2.5: bytes=32 time=27ms TTL=59 Reply from 137.65.2.5: bytes=32
time=22ms TTL=59 Reply from 137.65.2.5: bytes=32 time=31ms TTL=59
```

If you are using the IP address of the host, you receive the same type of reply.

Using the host's domain name is a good way to determine the host's IP address, and doing so also causes the client to request DNS name resolution before sending the ICMP packet. This approach is an excellent way to determine if DNS name resolution is working. If it is not working, you receive a message such as the following:

```
Unable to resolve www.novell.com.
```

If DNS name resolution is not working, one of the following conditions might exist:

- ♦ The DNS server or DNS domain name is not configured properly on the client.
- ♦ If you are using DHCP, the DNS server and domain name are not properly configured on the DHCP server.
- ♦ The DNS server to which you send DNS name resolution requests is not functioning.

The Ping command has the following syntax:

```
ping [-t] [-a] [-n count] [-l size] [-f] [-i TTL] [-v TOS] [-r count] [-s
count] [[-j host] | [-k host-list]] [-w timeout] destination list
```

The following table explains the use of the Ping options.

**Table 6-1** Ping Options

Option	Meaning
-t	Ping the specified host until interrupted
-a	Resolve addresses to hostnames



Option	Meaning
-n count	Number of echo requests to send
-l size	Send buffer size
-f	Set the Don't Fragment flag in the packet
-i TTL	Time-To-Live value
-v TOS	Type of service
-r count	Record route for count hops
-s count	Time stamp for count hops
-j host-list	Loose source route along host-list
-k host-list	Strict source route along host-list
-w timeout	Timeout in milliseconds to wait for each reply

**NOTE:** You can find unauthorized addresses in an exported DHCP configuration by searching for IP Address objects with an Assignment Type value of 32. Use the Find feature in a text editor to quickly identify addresses that have been marked as unauthorized.

## Using Tracert

Tracert can be very useful when you are resolving network-wide TCP/IP problems. Tracert traces the route to a specific host and displays all hops that occur to search for the target host.

To run Tracert, go to a command prompt and enter the command followed by a hostname or IP address, such as the following:

```
C:\> tracert www.novell.com
```

The Tracert command has the following syntax:

```
tracert [-d] [-h maximum_hops] [-j host-list] [-w timeout] target_name
```

The following table explains the use of the Tracert options.

**Table 6-2** *Tracert Options*

Option	Meaning
-d	Do not resolve addresses to hostnames
-h maximum_hops	Maximum number of hops to search for target
-j host-list	Loose source route along host-list
-w timeout	Timeout in milliseconds to wait for each reply

## Using ARP

Arp is an advanced utility that should be used only by those who have a detailed understanding of TCP/IP and who must troubleshoot complex problems. The Arp command enables you to display and modify the Arp cache of a client.

Following are three examples of use of the ARP command:

```
Arp -s inet_addr eth_addr [if_addr]
```

```
Arp -d inet_addr [if_addr]
```

```
Arp -a [inet_addr] [-N if_addr]
```

The following table explains the use of the ARP options.

**Table 6-3** ARP Options

Option	Meaning
-a	Displays current Arp entries by interrogating the current protocol data. If inet_addr is specified, the IP and physical addresses for the specified host are displayed.
-g	Displays current Arp entries by interrogating the current protocol data. If inet_addr is specified, the IP and physical addresses for the specified host are displayed.
inet_addr	Specifies an Internet address.
-N if_addr	Displays the Arp entries for the network interface specified by if_addr.
-d	Deletes the host specified by inet_addr.
-s	Adds the host and associates the internet address inet_addr with the physical address eth_addr. The physical address is given as six hexadecimal bytes separated by hyphens. The entry is permanent.
eth_addr	Specifies a physical address.
if_addr	If present, specifies the Internet address of the interface whose address translation table should be modified. If not present, the first applicable interface is used.

## Using Netstat

Netstat is an advanced utility that should be used only by those who have a detailed understanding of TCP/IP and who must troubleshoot very complex problems. Netstat displays protocol statistics and current TCP/IP network connections.

The Netstat command has the following syntax:

```
NETSTAT [-a] [-e] [-n] [-s] [-p proto] [-r] [interval]
```

The following table explains the use of the Netstat options.

**Table 6-4** *Netstat Options*

Option	Meaning
-a	Displays all connections and listening ports, but not those on the server.
-e	Displays Ethernet statistics. This might be combined with the <code>-s</code> option.
-n	Displays addresses and port numbers in numerical form.
-p proto	Shows connections for the protocol specified by proto (either TCP or UDP). If used with the <code>-s</code> option to display per protocol statistics, proto can be TCP, UDP, or IP.
-r	Displays the contents of the routing table.
-s	Displays per protocol statistics. By default, statistics are shown for TCP, UDP, and IP. The <code>-p</code> option can be used to specify a subset of the default.
interval	Redisplays selected statistics, pausing interval seconds between each display. Press Ctrl+C to stop redisplaying statistics. If this option is omitted, Netstat prints the current configuration information once.

If you suspect that a LAN card is malfunctioning, use the `-e` option while troubleshooting. The `-e` option displays Ethernet statistics, including discards and errors.

The `-a` option provides a detailed display of the active TCP connections of the port number and network host communicating with that port. This information is useful when you are attempting to relate TCP port numbers of the various servers with which the client is communicating.

### 6.1.6 Using the -F Command Line Option for Dnipinst.nlm

The `dnipinst.nlm` program is a backup method of extending the schema and creating the DNS/DHCP Locator and Group objects and the RootSrvrInfo zone. `Dnipinst.nlm` can be used if problems occurred during the NetWare 6.5 installation process. Most administrators do not need to use this NLM program.

You can use the `-F` command line option in the `dnipinst.nlm` to re-create the DNS/DHCP configuration objects if the initial attempt to set up Novell DNS/DHCP Services fails during the configuration object creation stage.

When a failure occurs during the object creation phase, we recommend that you delete the DNS-DHCP (DNS/DHCP Locator), DNSDHCP-GROUP (DNS/DHCP Group), and the RootSrvrInfo objects (if they have been created), then use `dnipinst.nlm` with the `-F` flag. When the `-F` command line option is specified, an initial console message confirms the action and the eDirectory login window appears. After a successful login, the object eDirectory context query window is displayed. You can enter the data and create the objects. If a schema extension error occurs, execute `dnipinst.nlm` in the regular mode.

### 6.1.7 Server Access to DNS/DHCP Locator Object Not Required

The requirement that the DNS and DHCP servers always have access to the DNS/DHCP Locator object has been relaxed.

The first time the server loads, it requires access to the DNS/DHCP Locator object to obtain a copy of any global configuration from the object. The DHCP server saves a copy of the global configuration in `sys:\etc\dhcp\dhcploc.tab`.

In subsequent loads, the DHCP server tries to obtain the global configuration information from the DNS/DHCP Locator object. If the information is not available, the DHCP server reads the information from the last saved copy of `sys:\etc\dhcp\dhcploc.tab`. Each time the DHCP server loads and the DNS/DHCP Locator object is available, the DHCP server updates the `dhcploc.tab` file.

The DNS server also does not require access to the DNS/DHCP Locator object. It has been enhanced to require access to the DNS/DHCP Locator object only if the named command line arguments are specified to create zones in eDirectory. The DNS server no longer requires access to the RootSrvrInfo zone stored in eDirectory. The DNS server now first tries to find the RootSrvrInfo zone in eDirectory, but if it is not available, the DNS server uses the copy of the information found in `sys:\etc\dns\rootsrvr.dat`.

## 6.2 DHCP

This section provides the following troubleshooting information for DHCP:

- ♦ [“Troubleshooting Checkpoints” on page 164](#)
- ♦ [“Common Operational Problems” on page 165](#)
- ♦ [“Releasing and Renewing DHCP Addresses” on page 167](#)

### 6.2.1 Troubleshooting Checkpoints

1. Verify that IP hosts with DHCP-assigned parameters operate the same as when you manually configured them.

If an IP host does not operate the same as when it was manually configured, verify that the parameters assigned by DHCP are the same as those when the host was manually configured.

If a node is intermittently inoperable, verify that the node is not using the same IP address as another IP host. If a duplicate IP address exists, verify that there is only one DHCP server for the subnet. Also verify that the IP addresses assigned by the DHCP server are not being used by manual nodes.

2. Verify that all DHCP hosts can obtain a DHCP lease when required.

If DHCP hosts cannot obtain a DHCP lease when required, verify that enough leases exist to accommodate all hosts that use DHCP. If there are too few leases, obtain more IP addresses and configure more leases or reduce the lease time to a few hours. This ensures that more leases are made available to other clients that are waiting to use the IP addresses.

If a Windows 95 client cannot acquire a lease and responds with the message `Unable to obtain an IP network address`, the client requires a longer timeout. This problem might occur when the client and DHCP server are separated by one or more routers. To increase the timeout for Windows 95 clients, obtain a patch from Microsoft. The patch is dated 2/12/96 and includes a file named `VDHCP.386`. The patch itself is named `dchcpupd.exe`.

3. Verify that the number of leases available for clients does not decrease when you are using mobile clients.

If the number of leases available for clients decreases when you are using mobile clients, verify that the mobile client's lease is released when the client connects from a remote office or that the mobile client can use the same lease and the same IP address at the new location.

- ♦ If the remote office is on a subnet different from that of the local office and the subnet is serviced by a different DHCP server, verify that the lease is released by the first server within a reasonable amount of time after the mobile client moves to the remote office. If the lease is not released quickly enough, reduce the lease time.
- ♦ If the remote office is on a subnet different from that of the local office and the subnet is serviced by the same DHCP server, verify that the IPAssignmentPolicy attribute of the DHCP server object in eDirectory is set to DELETE\_DUPLICATE. This ensures that only one lease is in use at a time because the original lease is deleted when the mobile client requests a new lease.
- ♦ If the remote office is on the same subnet as that of the local office, the mobile client should use the same IP address. If the mobile client does not use the same IP address, verify that there is only one DHCP server for the subnet.

## 6.2.2 Common Operational Problems

The following information describes the most common operational errors.

- ♦ “A node is intermittently inoperable.” on page 165
- ♦ “Windows 95 client cannot acquire a lease and responds with the message “Unable to obtain an IP network address”” on page 166
- ♦ “Using mobile clients causes fewer leases to be available” on page 166
- ♦ “Clients work properly when manually configured, but some functions do not work when using DHCP.” on page 166
- ♦ “At a site with a limited number of leases, many clients cannot obtain a lease. The leases are not being efficiently shared by all clients that must use them” on page 166
- ♦ “It is difficult to identify and manage network resources when using dynamic DHCP assignments.” on page 167
- ♦ “Dhcpserver.nlm is loaded and the trace screen has been activated with the -d flag, but there is no evidence of interaction between the server and clients, and clients are not receiving IP address assignments.” on page 167
- ♦ “Dhcpserver.nlm is loaded and the trace screen shows client packets being received, but the server is not responding and the REQUEST packets are dropped.” on page 167

### **A node is intermittently inoperable.**

**Cause:** An unauthorized DHCP server has been configured by someone attempting to control or disrupt your network. The unauthorized DHCP server is assigning IP addresses and other configuration parameters that have already been assigned to other nodes by an authorized DHCP server. The result is that nodes are assigned duplicate IP addresses or incorrect configuration parameters. Incorrect configuration parameters can interfere with a node's ability to communicate to the network in any number of ways. Incorrect parameters can even be used to cause a node to connect to a server that is controlled by an unauthorized user, thereby allowing the unauthorized user to take control of the client.

**Solution:** Find the unauthorized DHCP server and disable it or disconnect it from the network.

### **Windows 95 client cannot acquire a lease and responds with the message “Unable to obtain an IP network address”**

**Cause:** The Windows 95 DHCP client has a two-second timeout for the time between when it accepts an offer of an IP address in a message sent to the server and the time it expects an acknowledgment of that acceptance in a reply from the server. Other clients, such as Windows NT, have a four-second timeout.

**Solution:** Obtain the `dhcpupd.exe` patch from Microsoft that changes the timeout on Windows 95 clients from two seconds to four seconds. The patch is dated 2/12/96 and includes a file named `VDHCP.386`.

### **Using mobile clients causes fewer leases to be available**

**Cause 1:** The mobile client’s lease is not released when the mobile client moves to a remote office. This can occur when the remote office is on a subnet different from that of the local office and the remote subnet is serviced by a different DHCP server.

**Solution 1:** Determine the lease time assigned to this client. If the lease is not released quickly enough, reduce the lease time. Otherwise, have the client manually release the old IP address before it leaves the local office.

**Cause 2:** The mobile client uses two leases at the same time because it cannot use the same lease and the same IP address at the new location.

**Solution 2:** Do one of the following:

- ♦ If the remote office is on a subnet different from that of the local office and the subnet is serviced by the same DHCP server, verify that the `IPAssignmentPolicy` attribute of the DHCP server object in eDirectory is set to `DELETE_DUPLICATE`. This ensures that only one lease is in use at a time because the original lease is deleted when the mobile client requests a new lease.
- ♦ If the remote office is on the same subnet as that of the local office, the client should use the same IP address. If the client does not use the same IP address, verify that there is only one DHCP server for the subnet.

### **Clients work properly when manually configured, but some functions do not work when using DHCP.**

**Cause:** One or more global client parameters were not configured properly in DHCP.

**Solution:** Verify that all the parameters assigned by DHCP are properly configured.

### **At a site with a limited number of leases, many clients cannot obtain a lease. The leases are not being efficiently shared by all clients that must use them**

**Cause:** Clients are not releasing the leases when they are finished using them because the lease time is too long.

**Solution:** Reduce the lease time to a few hours so that leases can be made available to other clients that are waiting to use the IP addresses. Otherwise, you might need to purchase more IP addresses and configure more or larger address ranges to make more IP addresses available.

**It is difficult to identify and manage network resources when using dynamic DHCP assignments.**

**Cause:** The IP addresses of the clients might change if you use DHCP continually over a period of time and the lease period is set to a reasonably low value.

**Solution:** Use static DHCP assignments when you want to use a specific IP address assigned to the client for identification and management.

**Dhcpserver.nlm is loaded and the trace screen has been activated with the -d flag, but there is no evidence of interaction between the server and clients, and clients are not receiving IP address assignments.**

**Cause 1:** The server is not physically linked to the client's communications media or the server did not bind its IP protocol to the interface card, which shares physical media access with the client.

**Solution:** Check the server's physical connections. Load inetcfg to ensure that proper binding exists.

**Dhcpserver.nlm is loaded and the trace screen shows client packets being received, but the server is not responding and the REQUEST packets are dropped.**

**Cause:** The server's configuration for its local interfaces does not match the configuration within eDirectory for the same server.

**Solution:** Load inetcfg and check to see if the server has a legal IP address on each local subnet it serves. Also, use the iManager utility to ensure that each local subnet is properly configured.

## 6.2.3 Releasing and Renewing DHCP Addresses

When a host is powered on, it is leased an IP address for a period of time, depending on the configuration settings of the subnet from which the address is assigned. If the machine is moved to another network while the original IP address lease is still valid, the user must release the lease. Other situations might also require that a lease be released, such as using a laptop computer in different locations on a given network.

- ♦ "Windows 95" on page 167
- ♦ "Windows NT" on page 168

### Windows 95

To manually release and renew a DHCP-assigned IP address in Windows 95:

- 1 Select *Start > Run*.
- 2 Type `wiipcfg` and press Enter.  
The IP Configuration dialog box is displayed.
- 3 Click *Release All*.  
The *IP Address*, *Subnet Mask*, and *Default Gateway* fields should display no addresses.
- 4 Click *Renew All*.  
New addresses should appear in the *IP Address*, *Subnet Mask*, and *Default Gateway* fields.
- 5 Click *OK* to close WINIPCFG.

## Windows NT

To manually release and renew a DHCP-assigned IP address in Windows NT:

**1** Select *Start > Programs > MS-DOS Command Prompt*.

**2** From the command prompt, execute the command

```
ipconfig /release
```

A message is displayed indicating that the assigned IP address has been successfully released.

**3** From the command prompt, execute the command

```
ipconfig /renew
```

A message is displayed indicating the new IP address that has been assigned.

**4** From the command prompt, execute the following command to review DHCP settings:

```
ipconfig /all
```

## 6.3 Console and Debug Logs

The following types of console log entries are generated by both DNS and DHCP:

- ♦ Load success or failure
- ♦ Unload results normal or abnormal
- ♦ Major SNMP events

For each NetWare Alert message generated, an entry is provided in the `/system/sys$log` file.

The DHCP server provides a foreground screen log of every packet received and each reply generated to maintain continuity with the DHCP 2.0 server. The screen provides a useful real-time indication of DHCP 3.0 server operations.

The DHCP server has a debug log feature (primarily used by Novell technical support and engineering groups) that records the exchange of DHCP messages to a screen log or the `dhcpsrvr.log` file (in ASCII text) in the server's `\etc\dhcp` directory. When loading `dhcpsrvr`, the administrator can use one of three flags to activate the debug log feature. The following table explains the use of the flags.

**Table 6-5** Enter Table Title Here

Flag	Use
-d1	Turns on a background screen log of DHCP packets.
-d2	Turns on a background screen log of debug statements and DHCP packets.
-d3	Turns on a background screen log of debug statements and DHCP packets and writes the log to the server's <code>\etc\dhcp\dhcpsrvr.log</code> file.



This section describes how to configure the ICE zone handler and use the cluster support of Novell® DNS/DHCP Services.

- ♦ [Section 7.1, “Configuring the ICE Zone Handler,” on page 169](#)
- ♦ [Section 7.2, “Cluster Support,” on page 173](#)

## 7.1 Configuring the ICE Zone Handler

- ♦ [Section 7.1.1, “Modifying the ice.cfg File,” on page 169](#)
- ♦ [Section 7.1.2, “Enabling Clear-Text Passwords,” on page 170](#)
- ♦ [Section 7.1.3, “Importing Configuration and Script Files,” on page 170](#)
- ♦ [Section 7.1.4, “Exporting Configuration and Script Information,” on page 172](#)

### 7.1.1 Modifying the ice.cfg File

The source and destination handlers available to the application, with other information such as the version of the handlers and the modes in which they operate, must be provided in the `ice.cfg` file in the `sys:\system` directory. You modify the `ice.cfg` file by appending the zone handler information.

[Zone]

Version 1.0

Mode: FromFile, FromServer, ToFile

Module name: zone

Flags: 1

The mode is used to convey the information about the functionality supported by the handler. In the example above, the mode is FromFile, FromServer, ToFile because zone handler can read from the file, read from the server, and write to the file.

The LDAP handler is used to write to the directory. Ensure `ice.cfg` also contains the following:

[LDAP]

Version: 1.0

Mode: FromServer, ToServer

Module Name: ldaphdlr

Flags: 1

The module name specifies the handler name. Flags specifies the flags that should be sent to the destination handler. Currently, the only flag available is for LBURP.

## 7.1.2 Enabling Clear-Text Passwords

Clear-text passwords should be enabled in the LDAP group object to avoid LDAP bind operation failure. You can do this by using ConsoleOne®.

## 7.1.3 Importing Configuration and Script Files

You can use the ICE zone handler to migrate the `named.conf` file, along with the corresponding zone master files, to Novell® eDirectory™, or to form a script file in a particular format. This script file is used to migrate the zone master files of the desired zones, without changing the server and zone configuration information.

The import operation generates an output script file that indicates the status of zone import with a token “done:” at the beginning of zones imported successfully. If an import fails for a particular zone, the corresponding output script file generated will not have a “done:” tag for that particular zone and the script file can be reused to import the failed zone later.

- ♦ [“Command Line Parameters for ICE Zone Import” on page 170](#)

### Command Line Parameters for ICE Zone Import

You can access online help for the command line parameters for zone handlers by typing `ice -h zone` at the system console of the NetWare® server.

You can use the following command line parameters:

**Zone Source Handler Parameter:** `ice -S ZONE -f <input file> [-t scr | conf] -x <zone context> -b <DNS server DN> [-l <log file name>] [-r] [-s <LDAP server name>] [-p <port no>] [-d <bind dn>] [-w <password>] -D {Destination Handler with options }`

**Table 7-1** Zone Source Handler Parameter Option Description

Options	Descriptions
-f <input file>	The absolute name of the input file. The input file can be either a configuration file (typically <code>named.conf</code> ) or a script file. The type of the file passed is specified with the <code>-t</code> option.
-t {scr   conf}	The type of the file passed with the <code>-f</code> option. <code>scr</code> is used to indicate that a script file is being passed and <code>conf</code> is used to indicate that a configuration file is being passed. <code>scr</code> is the default option used when <code>-t</code> is not specified.
-l <log file name>	The name of the log file, where the messages are logged. By default, <code>sys:\zoneimp.log</code> file is created. If any error is encountered, the important messages are printed on the ICE screen.  The ICE utility creates a log file named <code>sys:\ice.log</code>
-x <zone context>	The context under which the zone objects are created.
-b <DNS Server DN>	The distinguished name of the DNS server in Novell eDirectory. The imported zones are associated with this DNS server. This is required to link the imported zone objects to the DNS server and vice versa.

Options	Descriptions
-r	The zone object, if already present, should be replaced. If this option is not specified, the existing zone objects are not disturbed.
-s <LDAP server name>	<p>The LDAP server name or IP address to which the zone and configuration information will be imported. Default: local machine (127.0.0.1/"local host")</p> <p>The server name specified here should be the same as specified in the destination LDAP handler options (-s option).</p>
-p <port no>	<p>The port number where the LDAP server is listening. The default value is 389.</p> <p>The port number specified here should be the same as specified in the destination LDAP handler options (-p option).</p>
-d <bind dn>	<p>The distinguished name with which you want to bind to the LDAP server.</p> <p>-d The fully distinguished name specified here should be the same as specified in the destination LDAP handler options (option).</p>
-w <password>	<p>The password for the Bind DN.</p> <p>The password specified here should be the same as specified in the destination LDAP handler options (-w option). If you do not specify the password for bind DN, only those LDAP operations that do not need authentication will pass and the rest will fail.</p>

**LDAP Destination Handler Parameter:** This can be obtained using the `ice -h LDAP` command at the system console of the NetWare server.

**Example for Command Line Options:** `ice -S ZONE -f sys:/etc/dns/named.conf -t conf -s 164.10.1.1 -x o=novell -b cn=DNS_MYSERVER,o=novell -d cn=admin,o=novell -w mypassword -D LDAP -s 164.10.1.1 -d cn=admin,o=novell -w mypassword`

**Script File Format:** A typical line from a script file contains the following fields.

```
<type of zone> <zone name> [master server IP] <master file name> [zone
context] [comments] /* end of line */
```

**Type of Zone:** Primary or Secondary.

**Zone Name:** The domain name for which the resource records are to be imported.

**Master Server IP:** The IP address of the master server, if the zone is a secondary zone.

**Master File Name:** The file that contains the resource records.

**Zone Context:** The context where the zone object should be created.

**Comments:** Any ASCII pattern, the first character being a semicolon (;)

For example, `primary novell.com sys:/etc/dns/novell.com.db; primary zone`  
`secondary novell.com 164.1.1.1 sys:/etc/dns/novell.com.db;`

**Named.conf File Format:** The handler supports BIND 9.2 named.conf format only. It interoperates with Novell-extended attributes in the named.conf file. That is, it ignores those attributes during import. The existing BIND4 and BIND8 conf files must be converted to BIND9 format before passing them to this utility.

## 7.1.4 Exporting Configuration and Script Information

You can use the ICE zone handler to export the DNS server, zone configuration information, and data from eDirectory and write it to the files.

### Source Handler Options

```
ice -S ZONE -s<source server> [-p<source LDAP port>] [-d<user name in source
server>] [-w<password for source server>] <[-b <DNS Server DN>] [-x <Zone
context>]> [-F <LDAP filter>] -D {Destination Handler with options}
```

**Table 7-2** Enter Table Title Here

Options	Descriptions
-s <server name>	Specify the server name or IP address that contains the zone and configuration information. The default is the local machine (127.0.0.1)
-p <port no>	Specify the port number where the server is listening. The default value is 389.
-d <bind dn>	Specify the distinguished name with which you want to bind to the LDAP server.
-w <password>	Specify the password for the Bind DN.  If the bind DN or password is not given, the result is based on the LDAP anonymous bind operation, and might not export all of the data.
-b <DNS Server DN>	Specify the FDN of the DNS server object.  The handler uses this information to read the configuration information and also to detect zone objects that fall under the administrative domain of this server.  If -b option is not specified, the configuration information is not exported and only the zone master files are formed.
-x <Zone Context>	Specify the context from which the zone objects will be exported.  The x or b option must be specified. If the b option is specified without the x option, all zones belonging to that DNS servers are exported. If both these options are specified, the configuration information is exported from the specified DNS server and the zone data with configuration from the specified zone objects.
-F <LDAP filter>	Specify the LDAP compliant filter. This acts in conjunction with the -x option described above to specify the zone objects to export. The default value is objectClass=*.  The -F options works only with the -x option, to export all zones under the given context which match the given filter, and not when both -b-x and are specified.

**Destination Handler Options:** `D ZONE -p <path>`

`<path>` - The path where the output files are created. The files that are created are `named.conf` and the zone master files, with the corresponding names of the zone objects as in eDirectory.

By default, all zone information is created in the `sys: \etc\dns\export` volume and files, with names corresponding to the domain names.

For example, `ice -S ZONE -b cn=DNS_MYSERVER,o=novell -s 143.72.1.1 -p 389 -d cn=admin,o=novell -w mypassword -D ZONE -p sys:\export\`

## 7.2 Cluster Support

- ♦ [Section 7.2.1, “Clustering in NetWare 6.0,” on page 173](#)
- ♦ [Section 7.2.2, “Clustering in NetWare 6.5,” on page 174](#)
- ♦ [Section 7.2.3, “Creating a Cluster-Enabled DNS Server,” on page 174](#)
- ♦ [Section 7.2.4, “Configuring a DNS Server in a Clustered Environment,” on page 174](#)
- ♦ [Section 7.2.5, “Adding a Node to a Cluster-Enabled DNS Server,” on page 175](#)

### 7.2.1 Clustering in NetWare 6.0

In NetWare 6.0, you deployed older versions of DNS servers in a clustered environment and configured a DNS server on each of the nodes in the preferred node list corresponding to the resource. If the current node failed, the DNS server migrated from the current node to another node, depending on the sequence of nodes in the preferred node list. The number of DNS server objects equaled the number of nodes in the preferred node list.

Although older versions of DNS servers supported clustering, it was limited to starting a DNS server and had its own identity. This server identity was different from the DNS server running on the next node.

For example, consider the following scenario:

- ♦ The preferred node list has Node 1, Node 2, and a designated primary DNS server (DNS server object 1) running on Node 1. This DNS server is supposed to handle the dynamic updates received from the DHCP server.
- ♦ An outage happens on Node 1 and the DNS server migrates to Node 2.
- ♦ Node 2 uses another DNS server (DNS server object 2), which is not a designated primary DNS server. It cannot handle the dynamic updates, so the identity of the DNS server is lost during a node outage.

For more information about cluster services, see the *OES Novell Cluster Services 1.8 Administration Guide for NetWare* ([http://www.novell.com/documentation/oes/index.html?page=/documentation/oes/clus\\_admin\\_nw/data/h4hgu4hs.html#bktitle](http://www.novell.com/documentation/oes/index.html?page=/documentation/oes/clus_admin_nw/data/h4hgu4hs.html#bktitle)).

## 7.2.2 Clustering in NetWare 6.5

In a clustered environment, the new DNS server, by default, supports the functionality provided by the older versions of DNS server. In addition, you can configure a new DNS server to maintain its identity after a node outage. In this case, only one DNS server is required per failover path (preferred node list) instead of one DNS server per node, as was the case with the older versions of DNS server.

## 7.2.3 Creating a Cluster-Enabled DNS Server

Consider the following scenario for an existing DNS server:

- ♦ The old DNS server is running in a cluster with one DNS server per node in the preferred node list. For any set of zones, only one of these can be a designated DNS server and the rest are passive DNS servers.
- ♦ A second DNS server running without a cluster.

To migrate this setup, you must consider the following points if you want the DNS server to take advantage of the new functionality and maintain its identity after an outage:

- ♦ All NCP™ servers in the preferred node list should be upgraded to NetWare 6.5.
- ♦ DNS server objects should not be created on an NCP server that is part of any existing preferred node list.
- ♦ Before moving any server, the DNS server should be brought down.
- ♦ Any node that is considered as a potential candidate to host DNS Services should be part of the only preferred node list.

You must also decide the following:

- ♦ Identify the DNS server object that must be retained from the DNS servers corresponding to all nodes in the preferred node list. All other DNS server objects must be removed.
- ♦ If you want to retain all DNS server objects, create a separate failover path for every DNS server object.

## 7.2.4 Configuring a DNS Server in a Clustered Environment

- 1 Make sure that the server has been upgraded to NetWare 6.5.
- 2 Run `nwdeploy.exe` from the root of the NetWare 6.5 Operating System CD to upgrade the cluster software.
- 3 Launch ConsoleOne®.
- 4 Create a Virtual NCP server by cluster-enabling a shared volume.
- 5 Identify the Volume Resource corresponding to the Virtual NCP server object.  
A Virtual NCP server object has a reference to the Volume Resource in the attribute Resources.
- 6 Verify the load script in the volume resource as follows:

```
add secondary ipaddress xxx.xxx.xxx.xxx
load named -v volume name
```

where `xxx.xxx.xxx.xxx` is the IP address of the Netware server.

- 7 Verify the unload script in the volume resource as follows:

```
unload named
del secondary ipaddress xxx.xxx.xxx.xxx
```

- 8 Configure the desired policies for startup, failover, and failback in the *Policies* tab.
- 9 Select the *Nodes* tab and specify the desired available nodes and node preference order.
- 10 Launch any of the DNS/DHCP management utilities.
- 11 Click *Create > DNS Server* in the Java-based Management Console  
or  
Click *Create DNS Server* from the iManager roles.
- 12 Select the Virtual NCP server object created in [Step 4 on page 174](#).
- 13 Provide other inputs to create the DNS server, then click *OK*.

In order to make an existing non-cluster-enabled DNS server support clustering, use the Move DNS Server feature as follows:

- 1 Upgrade the server to NetWare 6.5.
- 2 Launch one of the DNS/DHCP management utilities.
- 3 Identify the NCP server and the corresponding DNS server object that should be retained.  
Make sure that the DNS Services is not running on this NCP server.
- 4 Identify the Virtual NCP server where DNS Services will be based.  
Unlike old DNS servers that were cluster-enabled as a cluster resource, this should be cluster-enabled as a volume resource corresponding to the shared volume. Do this with the ConsoleOne snap-ins for Clustering Services.
- 5 Make sure that none of the nodes in the preferred node list has an associated DNS server (except the NCP server selected in [Step 4](#) if it is part of the preferred node list).  
Do this by deleting all other DNS servers in the preferred node list or moving them out of the preferred node list.
- 6 Use one of the DNS/DHCP management utilities to move the DNS server from the NCP server identified in [Step 3 on page 175](#) to the Virtual NCP server identified in [Step 4 on page 175](#).

For more information, see [“Moving a DNS Server” on page 85](#) and [“Moving a DNS Server” on page 99](#).

## 7.2.5 Adding a Node to a Cluster-Enabled DNS Server

To add a new node to the preferred node list of a DNS server that has been configured to maintain its identity across an outage:

- 1 Make sure that each new node has been successfully added to the preferred node list.
- 2 Using ConsoleOne, add a reference to the corresponding physical NCP server to the group object's *Members and EquivalentToMe* list for each newly added node.

Alternatively, you can temporarily move the DNS server to another NCP server, and then move it back to the original NCP server.

After the DNS server has been created or moved to a Virtual NCP server, you can start the DNS server by doing the following:

- 1** Launch ConsoleOne.
  - 2** Select the Netware Cluster object.
  - 3** Click *View > Cluster State* to change to the cluster state view.
  - 4** Click the *DNS Cluster Resource* to start the Resource Manager.
  - 5** Click *Online* to start the resource.
  - 6** Configure your clients to use the new resource as their primary DNS server.
- We recommend that you configure your DHCP server to pass this name server address to clients by using DHCP.

All the entities that require the IP address of the DNS server should be configured with the secondary IP address of the virtual NCP server.



# Coexistence and Migration Issues

# 8

One of the top priorities in designing Novell® Open Enterprise Server (OES) was to ensure that new OES components, running on either NetWare® or Linux, can be introduced into an existing network environment without disrupting any of the products and services that are in place. It was also considered important that there be a clear migration path for moving existing products or services and related data on the OES platform.

This section discusses the issues involved in the coexistence and migration of the DNS server in OES. It is divided into the following topics:

- ♦ [Section 8.1, “Coexistence,” on page 177](#)
- ♦ [Section 8.2, “Migration,” on page 178](#)

## 8.1 Coexistence

This section provides information on coexistence of a NetWare 6.5 DNS server with a SUSE® Linux Enterprise Server (SLES) DNS server.

- ♦ [Section 8.1.1, “Compatibility,” on page 177](#)
- ♦ [Section 8.1.2, “Coexistence Issues,” on page 177](#)

### 8.1.1 Compatibility

The following table summarizes the compatibility of the DNS server with various network operating systems.

**Table 8-1** *Compatibility of the DNS Server with Various Network Operating Systems*

Operating System	Platforms
NetWare	OES NetWare
	NetWare 6.5
	NetWare 6.0
	NetWare 5.1
Linux	SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 9

### 8.1.2 Coexistence Issues

Among the various security mechanisms available for DNS, DNS Security Transaction Signatures (TSIG) and DNS Security Extensions (DNSSEC) are not supported on NetWare DNS server.

Because of this limitation, the following issues need to be considered for environments running SLES and NetWare DNS servers:

- ♦ A NetWare DNS server cannot be configured to accept dynamic updates by using TSIG.
- ♦ DNSSEC cannot be used for interactions between a SLES DNS server and a NetWare DNS server.

## 8.2 Migration

This section provides information on migrating from NetWare 6.5 DNS server to SLES/OES DNS server.

- ♦ [Section 8.2.1, “Critical Differences Between NetWare and Linux,” on page 178](#)
- ♦ [Section 8.2.2, “Server Options,” on page 179](#)
- ♦ [Section 8.2.3, “Zone Options,” on page 180](#)
- ♦ [Section 8.2.4, “Migration Process,” on page 181](#)
- ♦ [Section 8.2.5, “Post Migration Steps,” on page 183](#)
- ♦ [Section 8.2.6, “Useful Tools,” on page 183](#)

### 8.2.1 Critical Differences Between NetWare and Linux

Before proceeding with migration of DNS from NetWare to Linux, it is important to note the following critical differences between DNS on NetWare and DNS on Linux:

- ♦ In Linux, NetWare features like eDirectory™ integration, dynamic reconfiguration, fault tolerance, SNMP, auditing, and the iManager plug-in for configuring DNS are not available.
- ♦ In NetWare, logging information is captured in the `named.run` file; however on SLES/Linux, logging channels must be configured. For information on configuring logging channels, refer to [Step 1](#).
- ♦ In Linux, the path for the `zone.db` files is specified in the `named.conf` file. It is not required in NetWare.
- ♦ To contact root servers and to get local host information, three additional zones are present by default in the `named.conf` file. `Zone.db` files for these zones are installed as part of the DNS installation on SLES.
- ♦ DNS server is loaded on SLES/OES by using the `rcnamed` script. When run on Linux, this script has a different set of parameters.

For more details on the parameters used in the SLES/OES Linux environment, refer to the [SLES Documentation Web site \(http://www.novell.com/documentation/suse.html\)](http://www.novell.com/documentation/suse.html).

- ♦ To support dynamic updates on SLES, TSIG keys must be generated and specified in the `named.conf` file. For more details on creating keys, refer to [Step 2](#).
- ♦ SLES DNS cannot receive dynamic updates from NetWare DHCP. Because of this, when a primary zone is migrated from NetWare to the SLES/OES environment, the DHCP server must also be migrated from NetWare.
- ♦ The following command line parameters associated with `named` on NetWare are not available on Linux.

FT on/off

```

jsize
-r on/off
dc
zi
-qstats
-pa
-info
-rp
-v [volume name]

```

In the Linux environment there are some options that have the same name as options on NetWare but have a different function. For example, The -v option on Linux gives the version number, but on NetWare this option is used to specify volumes on which the named configuration files are to be created.

NetWare also has several options that are supported on Linux under a different name.

The following table describes the distinctions between options on NetWare and Linux:

**Table 8-2** *Differences in Between Options on NetWare and Linux*

Option on Netware	Functionality on NetWare	Corresponding Option on Linux
-mstat	Lists memory usage statistics in the etc\dns\named.mem file	-s
-s	Supports screen logging	-g
-dl	Supports specifying debug levels	-d

## 8.2.2 Server Options

The following table lists the server options on NetWare and their equivalents on Linux:

**Table 8-3** *Server Options on NetWare and Their Equivalents on Linux*

NetWare	Linux
additional-from-auth;	additional-from-auth
additional-from-cache	additional-from-cache

NetWare	Linux
also-notify	also-notify
allow-notify	allow-notify
allow-query	allow-query
allow-recursion	allow-recursion
allow-transfer	allow-transfer
blackhole	blackhole
cleaning-interval	cleaning-interval
forward	forward
forwarders	forwarders. Linux permits a maximum of 3 forwarders
listen-on	listen-on
novell_audit-level	N/A
max-cache-size	max-cache-size
max-cache-ttl	max-cache-ttl
max-ncache-ttl	max-ncache-ttl
minimal-responses	minimal-responses
notify	notify
notify-source	notify-source
novell_nofwd-list	N/A
novell_server-dn	N/A
novell_server-dnsname	N/A
novell_server-mod-time	N/A
novell_snmp-trap	N/A
recursive-clients	recursive-clients

### 8.2.3 Zone Options

The following table lists the zone options on NetWare and their equivalents on Linux

**Table 8-4** Zone Options on NetWare and Their Equivalents on Linux

Netware Zone Option	Linux Zone Option
novell_designated-server	N/A
novell_zone-servers	N/A
Type	type

Netware Zone Option	Linux Zone Option
Allow-update	allow-update
Allow-query	allow-query
forward	forward
also-notify	also-notify
notify	notify
Zone-statistics	zone-statistics
notify-source	notify-source
novell_zone-mod-time	N/A
novell_zone-creation-time	N/A
novell_zone-dn	N/A
Masters	masters
transfer-source	transfer-source

## 8.2.4 Migration Process

This section details the migration process from a NetWare 6.5 DNS server to a SLES/OES DNS server.

- ♦ “[Migrating the Primary Zone](#)” on page 181
- ♦ “[Migrating the Secondary Zone](#)” on page 182
- ♦ “[Migrating the Server Configuration](#)” on page 182

### Migrating the Primary Zone

To migrate the zone configuration of a master zone from a NetWare 6.5 DNS server to a SLES/OES DNS server:

- 1 Edit `named.conf` on NetWare and copy the entire master zone configuration as shown below to the `named.conf` file on SLES.

```
zone "example.com" in
{
...
...
type master;
...
...
};
```

- 2 Delete specific NetWare options from the zone configuration. Refer to [Table 8-3 on page 179](#).

- 3 Copy the `zone.db` file from `sys:/etc/DNS` on NetWare DNS to `/var/lib/named/master` on the SLES DNS server.
- 4 Add the following file path to the zone configuration in the `named.conf` file

```
zone "example.com" in
{
    file "/var/lib/named/master/example.com.db";
};
```

`Example.com.db` is the file that was copied in [Step 3](#).

- 5 Open the `example.com.db` file, then find and replace all occurrences of the old server name with the name of the new Linux server.
- 6 Save the `named.conf` file and the `example.com.db` file.
- 7 Start the DNS Server by using the `rcnamed.start` command

## Migrating the Secondary Zone

- 1 Edit `named.conf` on the NetWare server and copy the entire secondary zone configuration as shown below to `named.conf` on SLES/OES.

```
zone "example.com" in
{
    ....
    ....
    type slave;
    ....
    ....
};
```

- 2 Delete specific NetWare options from the zone configuration. Refer to [Table 8-4 on page 180](#).
- 3 Add the file path in `named.conf` file as follows:

```
zone "example.com" in
{
    file "/var/lib/named/slave/example.com.db";
};
```

- 4 Save the `named.conf` file.
- 5 Start the DNS Server with `rcnamed.start` command.

The `zone.db` file is created in the slave folder.

## Migrating the Server Configuration

All DNS Server configurations and settings are saved in `sys:/etc/dns/named.con` on NetWare and `/etc/named.conf` in SLES.

The `named.conf` entries with default configurations for a DNS server appears as follows on NetWare.

```
options
{
novell_server-dnsname "test-dns-2.blr.novell.com";
novell_server-mod-time 1126157362;
novell_server-dn "test-dns-2.novell";
};
```

The basic Linux configuration file and options are described in the *SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 9 Administration Guide* ([http://www.novell.com/documentation/oes/index.html?page=/documentation/oes/sles\\_admin/data/sec-netz-dns.html#sec-netz-dns](http://www.novell.com/documentation/oes/index.html?page=/documentation/oes/sles_admin/data/sec-netz-dns.html#sec-netz-dns))

To migrate a server to Linux, all the options with a "novell\_" prefix in the option name must be deleted because they are specific to NetWare only.

## 8.2.5 Post Migration Steps

### 1 Configure the logging channel in the `named.conf` file

Use the channel option within the logging statement to create a customized type of log, with its own filename, size limit, versioning, and level of importance. After a customized channel has been defined, a category option is used to categorize the channel and begin logging when `named` is restarted.

By default, `named.run` logs standard messages to the syslog daemon, which places them in `/var/log/messages` folder. This occurs because several standard channels are built into BIND with various severity levels, such as one that handles informational logging messages (`default_syslog`) and another that specifically handles debugging messages (`default_debug`). The default category uses the built-in channels to do normal logging without any special configuration.

Customizing the logging process requires detailed information that is beyond the scope of this manual. For information on creating custom BIND logs, refer to the *BIND 9 Administrator Reference Manual* (<http://www.nominum.com/content/documents/bind9arm.pdf>).

### 2 Use TSIG to create keys to enable dynamic updating.

Transaction signatures (TSIG) is a mechanism used to secure DNS messages and to provide secure server-to-server and server-to-client communication. This includes zone transfer, notify, and recursive query messages. TSIG uses shared secrets and a one-way hash function to authenticate DNS messages, in particular responses and updates. TSIG is simple to configure, lightweight for resolvers and name servers to use, and flexible to secure DNS messages and dynamic updates. For dynamic updates, it is mandatory to create a TSIG key in Linux and this can be done by following instructions described in the *BIND 9 Administrator Reference Manual* (<http://www.nominum.com/content/documents/bind9arm.pdf>)

## 8.2.6 Useful Tools

The following tools help you to easily manage the Linux environment

**Table 8-5** *Useful Tools on Linux*

Tools	Usage
Yast	These tools can be used for management of DNS on SLES. YaST doesn't support all the configuration options, so WebMin can be used for Web-based management or editing files.
WebMin	
RNDC	
Dig	A utility that lets you administer a named daemon from the local host or from a remote host.
Host	Used to verify the setup after migration
nsupdate	
nslookup	
rcnamed-status	
rcnamed-info	



# Appendix

# A

This section provides the following information:

- ♦ [Section A.1, “Supported RFCs,” on page 185](#)
- ♦ [Section A.2, “Types of Resource Records,” on page 186](#)
- ♦ [Section A.3, “DHCP Option Descriptions,” on page 188](#)
- ♦ [Section A.4, “DNS-DHCP SNMP Events,” on page 196](#)
- ♦ [Section A.5, “DNS Root Servers,” on page 197](#)

## A.1 Supported RFCs

Novell® DNS/DHCP Services supports the following RFCs:

- ♦ RFC 819: Domain Naming Convention for Internet User Applications
- ♦ RFC 920: Domain Requirements
- ♦ RFC 974: Mail Routing and Domain System
- ♦ RFC 1032: Domain Administrator's Guide
- ♦ RFC 1033: Domain Administrator's Operations Guide
- ♦ RFC 1034: Domain Names - Concepts and Facilities
- ♦ RFC 1035: Domain Names - Implementation and Specification
- ♦ RFC 1036: Standard Interchange of USENET Messages
- ♦ RFC 1101: DNS Encoding of Network Names and other Types
- ♦ RFC 1122: Requirements for Internet Hosts - Communications Layers
- ♦ RFC 1123: Requirements for Internet Hosts - Application and Support
- ♦ RFC 1183: New DNS RR Definitions
- ♦ RFC 1535: A Security Problem and Proposed Correction with Widely Deployed DNS Software
- ♦ RFC 1536: Common DNS Implementation Errors and Suggested Fixes
- ♦ RFC 1537: Common DNS Data File Configuration Errors
- ♦ RFC 1591: Domain Name System Structure and Delegation
- ♦ RFC 1597: Address Allocation for Private Internets
- ♦ RFC 1627: Network 10 Considered Harmful (Some Practices Shouldn't Be Codified)
- ♦ RFC 1884: IP Version 6 Addressing Architecture
- ♦ RFC 1876: Location Information in the DNS
- ♦ RFC 1886: DNS Extensions to Support IP Version 6
- ♦ RFC 1912: Common DNS Operations and Configurations Errors
- ♦ RFC 1995: Incremental Zone Transfer in DNS
- ♦ RFC 1996: A mechanism for Prompt Notification of Zone Changes (DNS NOTIFY)
- ♦ RFC 2010: Operations Criteria for Root Name servers

- ♦ RFC 2136: Dynamic Updates in the DNS
- ♦ RFC 2163: Using the Internet DNS to distribute MIXER Conformant Global Address Mapping (MCGAM)
- ♦ RFC 2308: Negative Caching of DNS Queries (DNS NCACHE)
- ♦ RFC 2317: Classless IN-ADDR.ARPA delegation
- ♦ RFC 2672: Non-Terminal DNS Name Redirection
- ♦ RFC 2782: A DNS RR for specifying the location of services (DNS SRV)
- ♦ RFC 2874: DNS Extensions to Support ntwk\_ipv6\_nw Address Aggregation and Renumbering

## A.2 Types of Resource Records

A Resource Record (RR) contains data associated with domain names. This data is represented by and is subordinate to the Resource Record Set (RRset) of a zone container.

The following types of Resource Records can be created:

- ♦ **A6:** Maps a domain name to an ntwk\_ipv6\_nw address.

Specify the following for this option:

- ♦ **Prefix Length:** This can be any value between 0 and 128.
- ♦ **Address Suffix:** The address suffix need not be specified if the prefix length is 128.
- ♦ **Prefix Name:** The domain name of the server. This need not be specified if the prefix length is 0.
- ♦ **A:** Maps a domain name to an IP address.  
You must specify the 32-bit IPv4 address that will map to the associated domain for this option.
- ♦ **AAAA:** A 128-bit ntwk\_ipv6\_nw address that is encoded in the data portion of the resource record in the network byte order.
- ♦ **AFSDB:** The AFS system uses the DNS to map from a domain name to the name of an AFS cell database server. It contains the following data:
  - ♦ **Subtype:** A 16-bit integer.
  - ♦ **Hostname:** The domain name of the host server.
- ♦ **CNAME:** Specifies the canonical or primary name for the owner. Because the owner name is an alias, you must specify the domain name of the aliased host if you select this option.
- ♦ **DNAME:** Specifies an alternate name to map the entire subtree of the domain namespace.  
You must specify the target domain name for this option.
- ♦ **HINFO:** Specifies host information in the form of the following parameters:
  - ♦ **CPU:** A character string that specifies the CPU type.
  - ♦ **OS:** A character string that specifies the operating system type.
- ♦ **ISDN:** An ISDN (Integrated Service Digital Network) number is a telephone number integrating the telephone and data network service to a common service. It contains the following parameters:
  - ♦ **ISDN Address:** A character string specifying the ISDN address.
  - ♦ **Sub Address:** A character string specifying the subaddress. This parameter is optional.

- ♦ **LOC:** Specifies the location information in the globe. If you select this option, you must specify the following:
  - ♦ **Latitude:** Specify the degree of the latitude, minutes, and seconds of the globe enclosing the specified host. Select the direction.
  - ♦ **Longitude:** Specify the degree of the latitude, minutes, and seconds of the globe enclosing the specified host. Select the direction.
  - ♦ **Altitude:** Specify the altitude of the globe enclosing the specified host in meters.
  - ♦ **Size:** Specify the diameter of the globe enclosing the specified host in meters.
  - ♦ **Horizontal precision:** Specify the horizontal precision of the globe enclosing the specified host in meters.
  - ♦ **Vertical precision:** Specify the vertical precision of the globe enclosing the specified host in meters.
- ♦ **MB:** Specifies the domain name of the mailbox address.
- ♦ **MG:** A domain name that specifies a mailbox that is a member of the mail group specified by the domain name.
- ♦ **MINFO:** Specifies mailbox or mail list information in the form of the following parameters:
  - ♦ **Responsible MailBox:** A domain name that specifies the mailbox that is responsible for the mailing list or mailbox.
  - ♦ **Error Message MailBox:** A domain name that specifies the mailbox that is to receive error messages related to the mailing list or mailbox.
- ♦ **MR:** A domain name that specifies the mailbox that is the proper rename of the specified mailbox.
- ♦ **MX:** Specifies a mail exchange resource record in the form of the following parameters:
  - ♦ **Preference:** A 16-bit integer that specifies the preference given to this resource record among others at the same owner.
  - ♦ **Exchange:** A domain name that specifies a host willing to act as a mail exchange for the owner name.
- ♦ **NS:** Specifies a domain name for an authoritative name server for the specified class and domain.
- ♦ **PTR:** A domain name that points to some location in the domain namespace.
- ♦ **PX:** Contains X.400 mail mapping information with the following parameters:
  - ♦ **Preference:** A 16-bit integer that specifies the preference given to this resource record among others at the same owner.
  - ♦ **MAP822:** A domain name element containing the RFC822 part of the MCGAM.
  - ♦ **MAPX400:** A domain name element containing the value derived from the X.400 part of the MCGAM.
- ♦ **RP:** Provides a standard method of associating responsible person identification with any name in the DNS with the following parameters:
  - ♦ **Responsible Person's MailBox:** A domain name that specifies the mailbox for the responsible person.
  - ♦ **TXT-RR Domain Name:** A domain name for which TXT RRs exist.

- ♦ **RT:** Specifies the routing information with the following parameters:
  - ♦ **Preference:** A 16-bit integer representing the preference of the route.
  - ♦ **Intermediate:** The domain name of a host that will serve as an intermediate in reaching the host specified by the owner.
- ♦ **SRV:** Specifies the location of services with the following parameters:
  - ♦ **Service:** The symbolic name of the desired service.
  - ♦ **Proto:** TCP and UDP are the most useful values for this field.
  - ♦ **Priority:** The priority of the target host.
  - ♦ **Weight:** A load balancing mechanism when selecting a target host among those that have the same priority.
  - ♦ **Port:** The port on the target host running the service.
  - ♦ **Target:** The domain name of the target host.
- ♦ **TXT:** Specifies text data in the form of a character string.
- ♦ **WKS:** Describes the well-known services supported by a protocol on a particular host with the following parameters:
  - ♦ **Address:** A 32-bit Internet address.
  - ♦ **Protocol:** An 8-bit IP protocol number.
  - ♦ **Available Services:** A variable-length bitmap.
- ♦ **X25:** Specifies a PSDN (Public Switched Data Network) address.

## A.3 DHCP Option Descriptions

The following table describes the DHCP option codes and names:

**Table A-1** *DHCP Option Codes and Names*

Code	Option Name
2	Time Offset
3	Router
4	Time Server
5	Name Server
6	Domain Name Server
7	Log Server
8	Cookie Server
9	LPR Server
10	Impress Server
11	Resource Location Server
13	Boot File Size

Code	Option Name
14	Merit Dump File
16	Swap Server
17	Root Path
18	Extension Paths
19	IP Forwarding Enable/Disable
20	Non-Local Source Routing
21	Policy Filter
22	Maximum Datagram Re-assembly size
23	Default IP Time-to-live
24	Path MTU Aging Time-out
25	Path MTU Plateau Table
26	Interface MTU
27	All subnets are local
28	Broadcast Address
29	Perform Mask Discovery
30	Mask Supplier
31	Perform Router Discovery
32	Router Solicitation Address
33	Static Route
34	Trailer Encapsulation
35	ARP Cache Time-out
36	Ethernet Encapsulation
37	TCP Default TTL
38	TCP Keep-alive interval
39	TCP Keep-alive garbage
40	NIS Domain
41	NIS Servers
42	Network Time Protocol Servers
43	Vendor Specific Option
44	NetBIOS over TCP/IP options-name server
45	NetBIOS over TCP/IP options-datagram distribution server
46	NetBIOS over TCP/IP options-node type

Code	Option Name
47	NetBIOS over TCP/IP options-Scope
48	X Window System Font Server
49	X Window System Display Manager
58	Renewal (T1) Time
59	Renewal (T2) Time
60	Vendor Class Identifier
62	NWIP Domain Name
63-05	Perform NSQ Broadcast
63-06	Preferred DSS
63-07	Nearest NWIP Server(s)
63-08	Number of Auto Retries
63-09	Auto Retry Interval
63-10	Support NWIP 1.1
63-11	Primary DDS
63-12	IPX Network Number
63-13	IPX Stale Time
63-14	Migration Agents
64	NIS+ Domain
65	NIS Servers
66	TFTP Server Name
67	Boot File Name
68	Mobile IP Home Agent
69	SMTP Server
70	POP3 Server
71	NNTP Server
72	WWW Server
73	Default Finger Server
74	Default IRC Server
75	Street Talk Server
76	Street Talk Directory Assistance server
78	SLP Directory Agent
79	SLP Service Scope

Code	Option Name
85	NDS Servers
86	NDS Tree Name
87	NDS Context

The DHCP Options are described as follows:

**Time Offset:** Specifies the offset time of client's subnet in seconds. This is expressed as a two's complement 32-bit integer preference value. Two types of offset can be set: positive and negative. A positive offset indicates a location to the east of the zero meridian and a negative offset indicates a location to the west of the zero meridian.

**Router:** Specifies the routers on the client's subnet as a list of IP addresses. The routers should be listed in the order of preference.

**Time Server:** Specifies a list of RFC time servers available to the client. The servers should be listed in the order of preference.

**Name Server:** Specifies a list of IEN 116 [7] name servers available to the client. The name servers should be listed in the order of preference.

**Domain Name Server:** Specifies a list of DNS name servers available to the client. The DNS servers should be listed in the order of preference.

**Log Server:** Specifies a list of MIT-LCS UDP log servers available to the client. The log servers should be listed in the order of preference.

**Cookie Server:** Specifies a list of RFC 865 cookie servers available to the client. The cookie servers should be listed in the order of preference.

**LPR Server:** Specifies a list of RFC 1179 line printer servers available to the client. The LPR servers should be listed in the order of preference.

**Impress Server Option:** Specifies a list of Imagen Impress servers available to the client. The impress servers should be listed in the order of preference.

**Resource Location Server:** Specifies a list of RFC 887 resource location servers available to the client. The resource location servers should be listed in the order of preference.

**Boot File Size:** Specifies the length in 512-octet blocks of the boot image for the client. The length is specified as an unsigned 16-bit integer.

**Merit Dump File:** Specifies the location of a file where the core image of the client should be dumped if the client crashes.

**Swap Server:** Specifies the IP address of the swap server for the client.

**Root Path:** Specifies the path name for the client's root disk.

**IP Forwarding Enable/Disable:** Specifies whether the client should forward an IP address. Values can be either True or False. True indicates that IP forwarding should be enabled and False indicates that IP forwarding should be disabled.

**Nonlocal Source Routing Enable/Disable:** Specifies whether the client should forward datagrams with non-local source routing. Values can be either True or False. True indicates to enable datagram forwarding and False indicates to disable datagram forwarding.

**Policy Filter:** Specifies the policy filters for non-local source routing. The policy filters consist of a list of IP addresses and masks that filter the incoming source routes.

**Maximum Datagram Reassembly Size:** Specifies the maximum size of the datagram that the client should reassemble.

**Default IP TTL:** Specifies the time-to-live used by the client on outgoing datagrams.

**Path MTU Aging Time-out:** Specifies the time-out (in seconds) used when the aging path MTU values are discovered by the mechanism defined in RFC 1191.

**Path MTU Plateau Table Option:** Specifies a table of MTU sizes used when performing path MTU discovery as defined in RFC 1191.

**Interface MTU:** Specifies the MTU used on this interface. The minimum value for MTU is 68.

**All subnets are local:** Specifies whether the client can assume that all subnets of IP network connected to the client use the same MTU as the subnet of the network to which the client is directly connected. Values can be either True or False. True indicates that all subnets share the same MTU. False indicates that some subnets of the network that is directly connected have smaller MTU values.

**Broadcast Address:** Specifies the broadcast address being used on the client's subnet.

**Perform Mask Discovery:** Specifies whether the client should perform subnet mask discovery by using ICMP. Values can be either True or False. True indicates that the client should perform subnet mask discovery. False indicates that the client should not perform subnet mask discovery.

**Mask Supplier:** Specifies whether the client should respond to subnet mask requests by using ICMP. Values can be either True or False. True indicates that the client should respond and False indicates that the client should not respond.

**Perform Router Discovery:** Specifies whether the client should solicit routers by using the Router Discovery mechanism as defined in RFC 1256. Values can be either True or False. True indicates that the client should perform router discovery and False indicates that the client should not perform router discovery.

**Router Solicitation Address:** Specifies the IP address to which the client can send router solicitation requests.

**Static Route:** Specifies a list of static routes that the client can install in its routing cache. Multiple routes to the same destination are listed in descending order. Static routes consists of a list of IP address in pairs. The first address in the pair is the destination address and the second is the router for the destination.

**Trailer Encapsulation:** Specifies whether the client can negotiate encapsulating trailers when using the ARP protocol. Values can be either True or False. True indicates that the client should use trailers and False indicates that the client should not use trailers.

**ARP Cache Time-out:** Specifies the time-out (in seconds) for ARP cache entries.



**Ethernet Encapsulation:** Specifies whether the client can use Ethernet version 2.0 (RFC 894) or IEEE 802.3 (RFC 1042) encapsulation if it is an Ethernet interface. Values can be either True or False. True indicates that the client should use RFC 1042 encapsulation and False indicates that the client should use RFC 894 encapsulation.

**TCP Default TTL:** Specifies the default TTL that the client should use when sending TCP™ segments.

**TCP Keep-alive interval:** Specifies the interval (in seconds) that the TCP client should wait before sending a keep-alive message on a TCP connection.

**TCP Keep-alive Garbage:** Specifies whether the client should send TCP keep-alive messages with a garbage octet for compatibility with older implementations. Values can be either True or False. True indicates that a garbage octet should be sent and False indicates that a garbage octet should not be sent.

**NIS Domain:** Specifies the NIS domain name of the client.

**NIS Servers:** Specifies a list of the NIS server's IP addresses available to the client. The NIS servers should be listed in the order of preference.

**Network Time Protocol Servers:** Specifies a list of IP addresses indicating Network Time Protocol Servers (NTP servers) available to the client. The NTP servers should be listed in the order of preference.

**Vendor-Specific Information:** Specifies the vendor-specific information that can be used by the clients and servers.

**NetBIOS over TCP/IP Name Server:** Specifies a list of RFC 1001 and RFC 1002 NetBIOS over TCP/IP Name Servers listed in order of preference.

**NetBIOS over Datagram Distribution Server:** Specifies a list of RFC 1001 and RFC 1002 NetBIOS over Datagram Distribution servers listed in order of preference.

**NetBIOS over TCP/IP Node Type:** Allows NetBIOS over TCP/IP clients that can be configured as described in RFC 1001 and RFC 1002. Node types include B-node, P-node, M-node, and H-node.

**NetBIOS over TCP/IP Scope:** Specifies the NetBIOS over TCP/IP scope parameter for the client as specified in RFC 1001 and RFC 1002.

**X Window System Font Server:** Specifies a list of X Window System\* Font servers available to the client. These servers should be listed in order of preference.

**X Window System Display Manager:** Specifies a list of IP addresses of systems that use the X Window System Display Manager and are available to the client. The IP addresses should be listed in order of preference.

**T1 Time Value:** Specifies the time interval from the address assignment until the client reaches the renewing state.

**T2 Time Value:** Specifies the time interval from the address assignment until the client reaches the rebinding state.

**Vendor Class Identifier:** Specifies the vendor type and configuration of a DHCP client.

**NetWare/IP Domain:** Enables the server to convey the NetWare/IP domain name used by the NetWare/IP product.

**Preferred NSQ Broadcast:** Specifies whether the client should perform a NetWare Nearest Server Query (NSQ) to find out its nearest NetWare/IP server. Values can be either True or False. True indicates that the client should perform a NetWare NSQ and False indicates that the client should not perform a NetWare NSQ.

**Preferred DSS:** Specifies a list of addresses for a NetWare Domain SAP/RIP Server (DSS).

**Nearest NWIP Server(s):** Specifies a list of addresses for the Nearest NetWare/IP (NWIP) servers.

**Number of Auto Retries:** Specifies the number of times a NetWare/IP client can attempt to communicate with a DSS server at startup.

**Auto Retry Interval:** Specifies the delay interval (in seconds) that each NetWare/IP client uses when attempting to communicate with a DSS server at startup.

**Support NWIP 1.1:** Specifies whether the NetWare/IP client should support NetWare/IP version 1.1. This is required only when it contacts a NetWare/IP version 1.1 server. Values can either be True or False. True indicates that the client should support NetWare/IP version 1.1 and False indicates that the client should not support NetWare/IP version 1.1.

**Primary DDS:** Specifies the Primary Domain SAP/RIP Service server (DSS) for the NetWare/IP domain. The NetWare/IP administration utility uses this as the Primary DSS server when configuring a secondary DSS server.

**NIS+ Domain:** Specifies the name of the client's NIS+ domain.

**NIS+ Servers:** Specifies a list of IP addresses indicating Network Information Service (NIS)+ servers available to the client. The NIS+ servers should be listed in order of preference.

**TFTP Server Name:** Specifies the name of the TFTP server for the client.

**Boot File Name:** Specifies the name of the boot file for the client.

**Mobile IP Home Agent:** Specifies a list of IP addresses that indicates the mobile IP home agents available to the client. These agents should be listed in order of preference.

**SMTP Server:** Specifies a list of Simple Mail Transport Protocol (SMTP) servers available to the client. The SMTP servers should be listed in order of preference.

**POP3 Server:** Specifies a list of POP3 servers available to the client. The POP3 servers should be listed in order of preference.

**NNTP Server:** Specifies a list of Network News Transport Protocol (NNTP) servers available to the client. The NNTP servers should be listed in order of preference.

**WWW Server:** Specifies a list of World Wide Web (WWW) servers available to the client. The WWW servers should be listed in order of preference.

**Default Finger Server:** Specifies a list of Finger servers available to the client. The Finger servers should be listed in order of preference.

**Default IRC Server:** Specifies a list of Internet Relay Chat (IRC) servers available to the client. The IRC servers should be listed in order of preference.

**StreetTalk Server:** Specifies a list of StreetTalk\* servers available to the client. The StreetTalk servers should be listed in order of preference.

**StreetTalk Directory Assistance Server:** Specifies a list of StreetTalk Directory Assistance (STDA) servers available to the client. The STDA servers should be listed in order of preference.

**Directory Agent:** Specifies a list of IP addresses for Directory Agents. The Directory Agents should be listed in order of preference.

**Service Scope:** Specifies the scope that an SLP agent is configured to use.

**NDS Servers:** Specifies one or more NDS<sup>®</sup> servers for the client to contact to access the NDS database. The NDS servers should be listed in order of preference.

**NDS Tree Name:** Specifies the name of the NDS tree that the client contacts.

**NDS Context:** Specifies the initial NDS context that the client should use.

### A.3.1 Assigning Options

DHCP and BOOTP options can be assigned at three levels:

- ♦ Globally
- ♦ At the subnet level
- ♦ At the IP address level

The DHCP server's options inheritance rules specify that options assigned at the lowest level override options set at a higher level. For example, options have been assigned at all three levels for the client on the subnet, as shown in the following table.

**Table A-2** DHCP and BOOTP options at three levels

Level	Option	Value
Global	1, Subnet Mask	255.255.0.0
	3, Router	132.57.3.8
	4, Time Server	129.23.120.5
Subnet	1, Subnet Mask	255.254.0.0
	5, Name Server	10.73.57.251
	7, Log Server	10.73.58.2
	13, Boot File Size	1024
IP Address	7, Log Server	Null
	13, Boot File Size	256

The following table lists the effective options for the client with the IP address referred to in the preceding table.

**Table A-3** Options for the Client with the IP Addresses

Option	Value
1, Subnet Mask	255.254.0.0
3, Router	132.57.3.8
4, Time Server	129.23.120.5
5, Name Server	10.73.57.251
7, Log Server	Null
13, Boot File Size	256

## A.4 DNS-DHCP SNMP Events

The following list shows the DNS-DHCP events for SNMP traps:

**DNS\_SNMP\_SERVER\_LOADED:** DNS server is ready (up and running).

**DNS\_SNMP\_SERVER\_LOADFAIL:** DNS server load failure.

**DNS\_SNMP\_NDSWRITE\_FAIL:** Write operation of DNS events failed in NDS.

**DNS\_SNMP\_NDSREAD\_FAIL:** Read operation of DNS events failed in NDS.

**DNS\_SNMP\_UNAUTH\_UPDATE:** Unauthorized updates to the DNS Server.

**DNS\_SNMP\_XFROUT\_FAIL:** **Zone out** transfer failure.

**DNS\_SNMP\_XFRIN\_FAIL:** **Zone in** transfer failure.

**DNS\_SNMP\_ZONE\_EXPIRY:** Events that occur when zone data expires.

**DNS\_SNMP\_ZONELOAD\_FAIL:** Events that occur when zone load fails.

**DNS\_SNMP\_QUERYBLOCK:** Queries that are blocked because of the query filter.

**DNS\_SNMP\_REQ\_QUERYBLOCK:** Recursive queries that are blocked by the recursive filter.

**DNS\_SNMP\_QUERY\_NOFRD:** Queries that are in the no-forward list.

**DNS\_SNMP\_XFR\_BLOCK:** Zone transfer blocked.

**DNS\_SNMP\_UNAUTH\_STOPSTART:** Unauthorized start or stop operation.

**DNS\_SNMP\_SERVER\_UNLOAD\_FAIL:** DNS server unload failure.

**DNS\_SNMP\_TERMINATION\_INIT:** Do not send any SNMP traps. Although the SNMP trap flag is set and this trap number is passed, SNMP traps are not generated.

## A.5 DNS Root Servers

The `rootsrvr.dat` file contains information about DNS Root servers. When the DNS services are installed, the RootSrvrInfo Zone object is created by reading the contents from this file. The RootSrvrInfo zone holds information on the root name servers needed to initialize the cache of Internet domain name servers. The `rootsrvr.dat` file is the Novell version of `named.root`, which is made available by InterNIC\* registration services.

under anonymous FTP as

```
file          /domain/named.root
on server     FTP.RS.INTERNIC.NET
```

**-OR-**

```
under Gopher at  RS.INTERNIC.NET
under menu       InterNIC Registration Services (NSI)
submenu          InterNIC Registration Archives
file             named.root
```

The related version number of Root Zone is 1997082200 and was last updated on Aug 22, 1997

The data for the root servers is as follows:

### SOA and NS RRs

\$ORIGIN RootServerInfo.

```
@          SOA server. root. (
  1997082200 3600 3600 604800 86400 )

.          3600000      NS      A.ROOT-SERVERS.NET.
.          3600000      NS      B.ROOT-SERVERS.NET.
.          3600000      NS      C.ROOT-SERVERS.NET.
.          3600000      NS      D.ROOT-SERVERS.NET.
.          3600000      NS      E.ROOT-SERVERS.NET.
.          3600000      NS      F.ROOT-SERVERS.NET.
.          3600000      NS      G.ROOT-SERVERS.NET.
.          3600000      NS      H.ROOT-SERVERS.NET.
.          3600000      NS      I.ROOT-SERVERS.NET.
.          3600000      NS      J.ROOT-SERVERS.NET.
.          3600000      NS      K.ROOT-SERVERS.NET.
.          3600000      NS      L.ROOT-SERVERS.NET.
```

.	3600000	NS	M.ROOT-SERVERS.NET.
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### Glue RRs

A.ROOT-SERVERS.NET.	3600000	A	198.41.0.4
B.ROOT-SERVERS.NET.	3600000	A	128.9.0.107
C.ROOT-SERVERS.NET.	3600000	A	192.33.4.12
D.ROOT-SERVERS.NET.	3600000	A	128.8.10.90
E.ROOT-SERVERS.NET.	3600000	A	192.203.230.10
F.ROOT-SERVERS.NET.	3600000	A	192.5.5.241
G.ROOT-SERVERS.NET.	3600000	A	192.112.36.4
H.ROOT-SERVERS.NET.	3600000	A	128.63.2.53
I.ROOT-SERVERS.NET.	3600000	A	192.36.148.17
J.ROOT-SERVERS.NET.	3600000	A	198.41.0.10
K.ROOT-SERVERS.NET.	3600000	A	193.0.14.129
L.ROOT-SERVERS.NET.	3600000	A	198.32.64.12
M.ROOT-SERVERS.NET.	3600000	A	202.12.27.33

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This section describes the most commonly used terms in DNS/DHCP Services.

**Additional Options:** An attribute of the DNS server and zone, which allows fine-tuning of options for server performance. The values specified at the zone level override the values specified in the DNS server.

**Additional from Auth:** Controls the behavior of an authoritative server when answering queries that have additional data, or when following CNAME and DNAME chains. When this option is set to Yes, and when a query is being answered from authoritative data, the additional data section of the reply is filled in using data from other authoritative zones.

**Additional from Cache:** Controls the behavior of an authoritative server when answering queries that have additional data, or when following CNAME and DNAME chains. When this option is set to Yes, and when a query is being answered from authoritative data, the additional data section of the reply is filled in using data from the cache.

**Allow Notify:** Specifies the hosts that are allowed to notify slaves of a zone change in addition to the zone masters. This can be configured only for a secondary zone.

**Allow Recursion:** A list of IP addresses or networks from which the DNS server will accept queries recursively. If a value is not specified, the default is to allow recursive queries from all hosts.

**Also Notify:** A list of IP addresses of name servers that are also sent notify messages when a new copy of the zone is loaded, in addition to the servers listed in the Zone's NS records. This is primarily meant to converge stealth servers. The default is an empty list (no additional notification list). The value specified in the zone overrides the value specified in the server.

**Audit:** A set of security-related events that need to be audited.

**Audit policy:** A set of rules that controls how the audit services function.

**Auditing Trailing:** Tracks the activities of users by recording the selected types of events in the security log/database of a server or a workstation. The process defines policies that determine the security events to be reported to the network administrator or auditor.

**Authoritative:** DNS data that is served by the resident DNS server. The server can be either primary or secondary. This is the DNS data that belongs to a resident domain and is managed by the administrator of that domain, or it is the DNS data that is imported through a zone transfer.

**Blacklist servers:** These are fake servers; the DNS server does not answer queries from or forward queries to these servers. This list is maintained in the `dnipBlacklistServers` attribute of the DNS server object in Novell® eDirectory™.

**Bulk Zone Export:** Transferring one or more zones' configuration and data from eDirectory to files. This can be done using the Import-Convert-Export (ICE) utility, which uses ICE zone handlers.

**Bulk Zone Import:** Transferring one or more zones' configuration and data from files to eDirectory. This can be done using the Import-Convert-Export (ICE) utility, which uses ICE zone handlers.

**Cleaning Interval:** With this option set, the server removes expired resource records from the cache after every cleaning interval. If it is set to 0, no periodic cleaning occurs.

**Cluster Services:** Novell DNS cluster services is a server clustering solution that provides high availability and manageability of critical network resources including data, applications, and services. It is enabled for eDirectory and supports failover, fallback, and migration (load balancing) of individual managed services.

**Co-existence:** Both the old and new servers interoperate on the same eDirectory configuration. The underlying platform and configuration is the same and can use different versions of the server. Co-existence of a new DNS server with a current DNS server allows customers to do a phased upgrade and migration from old DNS servers to new DNS servers.

**Designated Primary Server:** The master primary server, which serves a primary zone and honors zone-out transfer requests. It is the only primary server in the zone that accepts dynamic updates. There is only one designated primary server per zone.

**Designated Secondary Server:** The master secondary server, which serves a secondary zone and honors zone-out transfer requests. It is the only secondary server in the zone that will perform inbound zone transfer requests to the primary server in the zone. There is only one designated secondary server per zone.

**Dynamic Reconfiguration:** Detects the changes in the DNS server and DNS Zone configuration data and applies it from eDirectory to DNS server in-memory while the DNS server is in running mode (without shutting down the server).

**Dynamic Update - Novell proprietary:** Novell DHCP server sends the updates to DNS server by using a Novell proprietary update format. The proprietary dynamic update message has a different format from the standard RFC 2136 message, and also has a security signature associated with the message. There is a logic for establishing credentials for each connection from DHCP to DNS. After the credentials are established, the DHCP server sends the actual packet of DNS data for update to the DNS server.

**Dynamic Update - RFC 2136:** The new DNS servers accept dynamic update requests in standard RFC 2136 format. For more information, refer to [RFC 2136 \(http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc2136.txt?number=2136\)](http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc2136.txt?number=2136).

**Event:** The occurrence of an action on an object of interest.

**Event Logging:** Any significant occurrence in the system or an application that requires administrators to be notified or an event to be added to a log.

Event logging is primarily for:

- ♦ Application monitoring; that is, monitoring the critical and important operations related to the application or server.
- ♦ Error monitoring; that is, monitoring failure in some operations.

**Fault tolerance:** Handles temporary disruptions of eDirectory unavailability, with graceful degradation in functionality. This can be categorized as:

- ♦ **Full Fault Tolerance:** The state when eDirectory is down and access to the DNS server object is broken. The server does not accept the following:
  - ♦ Dynamic Update



- ♦ Zone-in
- ♦ Notify

No write operation can be performed until eDirectory is up.

The server resolves only normal queries and zone-out transfer. Full Fault-Tolerance mode is applicable to all zones that are being serviced by the DNS server.

- ♦ **Partial Fault Tolerance:** The state when eDirectory is up but access to some zones is broken (because some eDirectory partitions are down or are not accessible). The server will not accept the following:
  - ♦ Dynamic Update
  - ♦ Zone-in
  - ♦ Notify

No write operation to these zones is performed until the partition is down

The server will only resolves normal queries for this zone. The queries are used only until the expiration for a secondary zone, but they are used indefinitely for a primary zone.

**Forward:** This option can be configured only if the forwarding list is not empty. A value of First, which is the default, causes the server to query the forwarders first. If that does not answer the query, the server then looks for the answer. If Only is specified, the server will queries only the forwarders.

**Empty Forwarder:** This option is used for domain delegation (child zones). With Empty Forward list, global forwarders are ignored and NS records are used for domain delegation.

**Forwarder:** A DNS server that forwards queries to other DNS servers, if the requested information is not found on the local server.

**FQDN:** Fully Qualified Distinguished Name.

**Group:** The DNS/DHCP Group object is a standard eDirectory group object. The DNS and DHCP servers gain the rights to DNS and DHCP data within the tree through the Group object.

**ICE:** The utility to import or export the DNS server, zone configuration information, and data to or from the eDirectory database.

**Journal Log:** All changes made to a zone using dynamic update are stored in the zone's journal log. The server automatically creates this log when the first dynamic update takes place. The extension `.jnl` is appended to the name of the corresponding zone to form the journal log file. The journal log is in a binary format and should not be edited manually.

**Lame TTL:** Sets the number of seconds to cache a lame server indication (these are misconfigurations in the remote servers, discovered by the DNS service when trying to query those servers during resolution). 0 disables caching (not recommended). The maximum value is 1800 (30 minutes).

**Listen On:** Specifies the interfaces and ports that the server answers queries from. It takes an optional port and an address match list. If a port is not specified, port 53 is used.

**Locator:** The DNS/DHCP Locator object contains a reference to global defaults and DHCP options, and list of all DNS and DHCP servers, subnets, and zones in the tree.

**Maximum Cache Size:** The maximum amount of memory (in bytes) used for the server's cache. When the amount of data in the cache reaches this limit, the server causes records to expire prematurely so that the limit is not exceeded. The default is 0 (unlimited cache).

**Maximum Cache TTL:** Sets the maximum time for which the server will cache ordinary (positive) answers.

**Maximum NCache TTL:** Sets a maximum retention time for negative answers in the server. The server stores negative answers to reduce network traffic and increase performance. The maximum value is 7 days.

**Maximum Recursion Lookups:** The maximum number of simultaneous recursive lookups that the server performs on behalf of the clients. This allows you to set limits on the servers' resource consumption. The default value is 1000.

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**NOTE:** Each recursive client uses about 20 KB of memory

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**Minimal Responses:** Allows the server to add records to the authority sections, and optionally to the additional section depending on the value set for this option. If this is set to No, the server adds records to both the authority and additional sections when generating responses. If this is set to Yes, the server adds records only to the authority section when generating responses. The performance of the server increases if this option is set to No.

**Non-Authoritative:** DNS data that is not served by the resident DNS server. This is the DNS data that belongs to a foreign domain and is not managed by the resident DNS administrator. This data is cached through responses to forwarded queries.

**Notify:** When this option is set to Yes, DNS notify messages are sent when the contents of a zone for which the server is authoritative changes. The messages are sent to the servers listed in the zone's NS records (except the master server identified in the *SOA MNAME* field), and to any servers listed in the also-notify option.

**Notify Source:** Determines the local source address, and optionally the UDP port, that is used to send notify messages. The slave should also be configured to receive notify messages from this address.

**Novell Dynamic Reconfigure:** Specifies the time interval at which dynamic reconfiguration will take place. The minimum value is 10 minutes and the maximum is 24 hours.

**Out-of-band update:** Any update to DNS Zone data in eDirectory that bypasses the DNS server (that is, all updates except dynamic update).

**Passive Primary Server:** A DNS server that serves a primary zone and honors zone-out transfer requests. This server is passive because it cannot update the zone data. There can be multiple passive primary servers serving the same primary zone.

**Passive Secondary Server:** A DNS server that serves a secondary zone and does not issue in-bound zone transfer requests to the primary server of the zone. It will answer queries to the zone and honors zone-out transfer requests to the zone. There can be multiple passive secondary servers serving the secondary zone.

**Performance:** This parameter measures the throughput of the server in handling requests and is indicated as the response time for processing concurrent requests (queries, updates, zone transfers, etc.).

**Primary Zone:** A zone that is authoritative and is serviced by a designated primary DNS server and one or more passive primary DNS servers.

**Provide IXFR:** Determines whether the local server, acting as the master, responds with an incremental zone transfer when the given remote server, a slave, requests it. If set to Yes, incremental transfer is provided whenever possible. If set to No, all transfers to the remote server are non-incremental (AXFR). The default is Yes.

**Query Filter:** List of IP addresses or networks from which DNS server accepts queries. If this option is not specified, the default is to allow queries from all hosts. The value specified for this option in the zone will override the value specified in the server.

**Query Source:** Specifies the address and port used for querying other name servers, if the server does not know the answer to a query.

**Recursion:** If this option is set to Yes, and a DNS query requests recursion, then the server will attempt to do everything required to answer the query. If this option is set to No and the server does not already know the answer, it returns a referral response.

**Role:** An object in the iManager framework that is associated with user objects in eDirectory.

**Rollback:** To revert to the previous state if transaction fails.

**RootSrvrInfo:** The RootSrvrInfo Zone is a Zone object, which is an eDirectory container object that contains RRsets for the DNS Root servers. The RootSrvrInfo Zone object is the equivalent of the BIND `db.root` file.

**Request IXFR:** Determines whether the local server, acting as a slave, will request incremental zone transfers from the given remote server, a master. The default is True.

**RR Set Order:** Permits ordering of the records in a multiple record response in an RRset. Currently, Novell DNS server supports two orders: random-cyclic and fixed. The default is random-cyclic.

**Scalability:** This parameter measures how the server scales with load in terms of the number of zones, number of RRs per zone, number of DNS queries, and zone transfers or dynamic updates handled by the server in a typical deployment scenario. It also identifies the limits of the parameters to which the server offers consistent performance without degradation.

**Scope settings:** Setting the scope and context of Locator object in the eDirectory tree enables better search responses for DNS-DHCP objects. This avoids searching the entire tree by limiting the search within the current scope set.

**Secondary Zone:** A zone that is serviced by a designated secondary DNS server and one or more passive secondary DNS servers.

**Serial Query Rate:** Through this option, the slave servers periodically query master servers to find out if the zone serial numbers have changed. Each such query uses a small amount of the slave server's network bandwidth. In order to limit the amount of bandwidth used, you should limit the rate at which queries are sent. The value of the serial-query-rate option is an integer, which is the maximum number of queries sent per second.

**Slave Server:** A DNS server that answers queries from its authoritative data and cached data, but relies completely on the forwarders for external information. It does not contact other servers if the forwarders do not give it an answer. A slave server can be a primary or secondary for its authoritative data.

**SNMP:** Simple Network Management Protocol. For complete information, refer [RFC 1067 \(http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc1067.txt?number=1067\)](http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc1067.txt?number=1067).

**Task:** A task is an object in the iManager framework that is associated with a role object in eDirectory. Each task describes some action that a role can play to create, modify, or delete objects in eDirectory.

**TCP Clients:** Specifies the maximum number of simultaneous client TCP connections that the server will accept.

**Transaction support:** The DNS server supports a transaction for a dynamic update request. This means committing the update to eDirectory, in-memory rbt (red-black tree) database, and in the journal log. If the transaction to any of these fails, the update is rolled back and a negative response is sent to the dynamic update request.

**Transfer Format:** Through this option, zone transfers can be done by using two different formats, one-answer and many-answers. This option is used on the master server to determine which format it sends. One-answer uses one DNS message per resource record transferred; many-answers places as many resource records as possible into a message. Many-answers is more efficient.

**Transfers In:** Specifies the maximum number of inbound zone transfers that can run concurrently. Increasing the transfers-in might speed up the convergence of slave zones, but it might also increase the load on the local system.

**Transfers Out:** Specifies the maximum number of outbound zone transfers that can run concurrently. The zone transfer requests that are in excess of the limit are refused.

**Transfers per NS:** Specifies the maximum number of inbound zone transfers that can be transferred concurrently from a given remote name server. Increasing the value of this option might speed up the convergence of slave zones, but it might also increase the load on the remote name server.

**Transfer Source:** Determines the local address that is bound to the IPv4 TCP connections used to fetch the zones transferred inbound by the server. It also determines the source IPv4 address, and optionally the UDP port, used for the refresh queries and forwarded dynamic updates.

**Update Filter:** List of IP addresses or networks from which the DNS server accepts dynamic DNS updates for primary zones. The default is to deny updates from all hosts. This attribute is effective only on a primary designated server.

**Write-through:** Writing the dynamic update data immediately to eDirectory (primary data) server in-memory, and to the journal log at the time of request (that is, before replying to dynamic update request).

**Zone Export:** Transfers data for a single zone configuration from eDirectory into a file. This can be done using the DNS/DHCP Management utilities.

**Zone Import:** Transfers a single zone configuration and data from a file into eDirectory. This can be done by using the DNS/DHCP Management utilities.

**Zone-in:** Zone data received by a secondary server from a primary server.

**Zone-out:** Transfer of data from a primary server to a secondary server.

**Zone Statistics:** If this option is set to On, the DNS server collects statistical data on all zones in the server.

# Documentation Updates

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## C.1 November 9, 2009

This guide has been modified for publication on the NetWare 6.5 SP8 Documentation Web site.

## C.2 November 2008

- ♦ Designated DNS was mentioned as DDNS in the [Section 1.3.1, “Novell eDirectory Objects for DNS,” on page 25](#). Hence DDNS was deleted from this section.
- ♦ The physical subnet is now mentioned as physical subnet segment which refers to multiple subnets in the [Section 1.4.3, “Virtual LAN Environments,” on page 41](#).

## C.3 September 30, 2008

- ♦ Front File is updated with latest book name and date.

## C.4 May 27, 2008

- ♦ Incorporated all the edit information.

## C.5 October 25, 2006 (NetWare 6.5 SP6)

- ♦ Included information on Forward Zone support

## C.6 Feb 8, 2006

- ♦ Updated the format of [Section 7.2, “Cluster Support,” on page 173](#) from SectTitleonPage to HeadingOnPage

## C.7 September 29, 2005

- ♦ Added TroubleShooting information in [Chapter 6, “Troubleshooting,” on page 147](#)
- ♦ Added Migration information in [“Coexistence and Migration Issues” on page 177](#)

## **C.8 May 9, 2005**

- ♦ Changed references of iManager 2.0 to iManager 2.5.
- ♦ Updated the reference for OES Novell Cluster Services 1.8 Administration Guide for NetWare.
- ♦ Changed references of eDirectory™ to eDirectory™ 8.7.3.
- ♦ Added an appendix with Documentation Updates information.